



### A Message from Year 3

Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your Christmas break and are excited to continue our learning.  
Mrs Bingley, Miss Bal & Mr Tomey



#### Reading

Our reading text this half term begins with “Not Afraid of the Dark”, This book sits somewhere between a picture book and a graphic novel. The book centres around Sam Wu trying to prove that he is not afraid of the dark which proves challenging when he is sent on a camping trip. It forms part of a series of books about conquering fears.

#### Writing

We begin this term with writing both first and third person narratives and descriptions.  
Then, we will be writing non-chronological reports. Finally completing advanced instructional writing.

#### Maths

In maths we will begin by deepening our understanding of multiplication and division. To support this we ask that children regularly practice their times tables on TT Rockstars.

#### Wider curriculum

Our **Science** topic this term is called “ “Shake it!.” We will be learning about electricity. We will be learning about solids, liquids and gases and how things can change state. We will need to be scientists to investigate the chemistry of some cooking and preparation processes.

In **RE** we will be discussing the question “Why do people pray?” the children will learn in depth from different religious about prayer: the practice, symbols, words and significance of prayer, so that they can develop thoughtful ideas and viewpoints about prayer.

In **PSHE** our topic is “Dreams and Goals ” the children will be discussing their aspirations, how to achieve goals and understanding the different emotions that come with this.

Our **P.E.** focus this term is Gymnastics and invasion games.

In **Spanish** this term the children will be learning about numbers and colours.



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1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

#### Uniform

##### Uniform(Winter)

White polo shirt with black or dark grey skirt / trousers  
Navy blue sweatshirt / cardigan with the school logo.

##### Uniform(Summer)

White polo shirt with black or dark grey shorts  
Navy blue sweatshirt / cardigan with the school logo.  
Navy blue and white checked summer dress  
Religious headdress should be plain navy, black or white.

**Footwear** - All children should wear sensible black school shoes or plain black trainers or plimsolls with plain socks or tights (White, navy).

**PE kit for all** - Plain navy shorts and a white t-shirt, black plimsolls or trainers

#### Homework

We will be sending out homework books every **Friday**. Each week will have a new list of spellings. Homework books are to be returned **every Tuesday**.

#### P.E

- **Attenborough** P.E – Tuesday & Thursday
- **Mercury** P.E – Tuesday & Thursday
- **Singh** P.E – Tuesday & Friday
- **Please note** – on PE days children are to come to school in their PE kit.

#### Reading Records

Children should be reading at home (independently or to an adult) **at least 3 times a week**, but preferably every day.

We would like to see evidence of this in reading records with the children recording a detailed comment about the section they have read.