



Year 3 Newsletter

Friday 30th September



Our first MoE for the year started with a 'For Sale' sign appearing on our classroom! This required us to investigate what happens when people sell their property. We became very popular, with other people asking for our help, as we became experts in understanding house brochures. We have already found the ideal home for our Roman friend Marcus! He has now asked for our help as he needs a design for a chariot. So during outdoor learning day we investigated how vehicles move on different surfaces. We are now ready to start our designs.

P.E in Year 3

Please make sure your child has their indoor and outdoor P.E kit in school on the correct day. Year 3 sessions are Monday (indoors) and Thursday (outdoors).

Please make sure all kit is labelled with your child's name as this helps ensure any items that become lost are easily returned.

Dates for your diary

Events already arranged for Year 3 this term are:

Year 3 trip to Arrow Valley Lake- Thursday 13th October

Parental Engagement: Thursday 24th November 9:00-9:45am

Home-school communication books

We know that sometimes it is difficult to speak to the class teacher face to face for whatever reason, so make a note in the home school book and we will get back to you as soon as we can. Please ensure that the Home School Communication book is in school every day.

Break time snacks in school

We all need a snack to give us an energy boost during the day, but please help us to ensure your child receives their snack by naming it clearly. We have asked the children to put their snack in the tray in class when they come in so they do not need to go to their book bag or lunch bag at break time. We ask that you keep in mind our healthy schools drive and give your child a snack that reflects this e.g. fruit, bread sticks, rice cakes, cereal bars etc.

Water bottles.

Children do better when they are hydrated so please make sure your child has a water bottle in school every day and is clearly labelled with their name.

Think of the Month

In Key Stage 2 we are continuing with our 'thunks', which are simple looking questions to get you thinking and questioning. We will discuss the monthly thunk in class and add it to the newsletter for you to share at home and discuss ideas. This month's thunk is...

Which is more important - being right or being nice?

When thinking about your response, think about:

- *What do you think?
- *Why do you think it?
- *Can you give an example?



Targets

This half term the children will have English and Maths targets to work on at home. English targets are to support spellings and Maths targets will support recall of number facts. These targets are in addition to weekly spelling and homework and you will find them inside your child's home communication book. We will be working on targets in school too and will see how well the children have done during the week beginning 18th October.

Please help your child at home by:

- Listening to them read and making a brief note in their reading diary. As the children are now in Year 3 we are also encouraging them to sometimes write a note in their diary to show what they enjoyed about the story or if they found certain words tricky.
- Practising their spelling target words, as well as weekly spellings. The children could:
 - Use the look, say, cover, write, check strategy to help you learn these.
 - Practise writing them in a list.
 - Use them in a sentence.
- Helping children to learn their number fact targets which are listed in home school books and be able to recall answers quickly without have to count.