



## **Newbold Verdon Primary School**

### **Welcome back to Year 3!**

September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, I hope you have all enjoyed a nice summer break. I would like to welcome you and your children to Year 3. This academic year, myself, Miss Bell and Miss Dyson will be teaching and caring for your children and I would like to take this opportunity to give you some more information about what to expect and what the children will need, day-to-day, to allow them to gain the most from their education and time spent with us.

In the mornings, the school is open at 8:40am and either Mrs Collins or Mrs Dewis will remain in the playground to ensure that children get into school safely. Lessons start promptly at 8:50 so please ensure your child is in school before then.

Please make sure that your child has the correct indoor and outdoor PE kit in school on the appropriate days. Kit should comprise of a white t-shirt, black shorts, jogging bottoms, sweatshirt, black pumps and trainers. Earrings should be removed for PE, preferably at home before school as we cannot assist the children with this. If your child cannot remove their earrings, they should bring micropore tape to cover them. All PE kit should be labelled (so we can return it to the correct person should anything become lost), in separate bags and they go in your child's locker.

School uniform should be worn at all other times. This includes black or grey trousers/skirt/shorts and a white or blue polo shirt. In addition, a royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan should be worn and shoes should be black (no multi-coloured trainers). No jewellery other than watches and ear studs should be worn and no false nails please.

We ask children to take their water bottles home every night and bring them the next morning. This will stop children needing to fill them up during school time and will ensure bottles are regularly cleaned.

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Support with your child's homework is greatly appreciated. Homework will be set every week (starting in a few weeks) and this will consist of one piece of English and one piece of maths. This will come home on Fridays. The homework should be completed and handed in the following week to receive an extra Dragon Point. Children should not spend more than 30 minutes on each of these, unless of course they wish to do more. Reading diaries will also be checked every Friday so please can you make sure that you sign for every day that they read. It is expected that children will read 5 times per week - even if it is only for 5 minutes.

Children on the Read, Write, Inc. phonics program will be given a specific phonics book to bring home as well as a sharing book. Children not on the phonics program will have a book linked to their book band/reading age.

Curriculum There is a knowledge organiser for Science and the History/Geography topics attached. There will be a short quiz at the end of the topics which will be based on these organisers. Please encourage your child to try to learn as many of these key facts as possible at home.

English: Stone Age Boy - a portal story; Instructions - Stone Age themed	Maths: Place value, written and mental calculation methods, shape	History: The Stone Age
Geography: Climate zones	Science: Rocks, Animals including Humans	RE: What do Christians learn from the Creation story? What is it like for someone to follow God?
Music: Pulse, Rhythm	Computing: Connecting computers Stop Frame animation	PSHE: Me and my relationships, Valuing difference
PE: is timetabled for Wednesday this term	Art: Drawing, Growing artists	DT: Food: eating seasonally

PE this year will be taken by a coach on Wednesdays due to the ongoing disabilities I suffer with my ankle following my accident last year. This will ensure that the children receive best quality teaching for this subject.

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Year 3 will have both Forest School and Art/DT every other Monday - please see the table below for all the dates.

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December

Please ensure your child brings some old, forest school clothing into school: long trousers, a long sleeved top, wellies and a coat (the school does have some waterproof clothing that children can borrow).

If you have any concerns or queries please contact the office so that we can make arrangements to discuss them.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J Johnson (Year 3 Class Teacher)

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