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Mrs. N Dewis

Spring in Year 3!

January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed a restful and happy Christmas break. The Year 3 class team would like to wish you and your families a wonderful year ahead, and we look forward to continuing to support and teach your children throughout the spring term.

At the end of last term, we wished Mrs Green every success in her career and family life. We are now delighted to welcome Mrs Lynam-Smith to our team. She will be teaching the children on Tuesdays and will also be in school on alternate Wednesdays during Forest School and Art days, allowing her time to become familiar with the school and the children. Mrs Lynam-Smith brings a wealth of teaching experience, and we are very pleased to have her join Year 3.

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.

School uniforms should be worn at all times unless it is a PE day. 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.

Please make sure that your child wears a full PE kit on Tuesdays this term. Kit should comprise of a white t-shirt, black shorts, jogging bottoms, sweatshirt and suitable 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.

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Water bottles need to go home every night and return the next morning. This will stop children needing to fill them up during school time and will ensure bottles are regularly cleaned.

Support with your child's homework is greatly appreciated. The 10 minutes of TTRockstars every week will continue throughout the year with discussion sentences and spellings also continuing to be sent home. 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.

Curriculum:

Knowledge organisers for science and the history and geography topics are available on the school website and children can also request paper copies to bring home. There will be a short quiz at the end of each topic based on these organisers. Please encourage your child to try to learn as many of these key facts as possible at home.

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| English: Wisp - a wishing tale | Maths: Written and mental methods for multiplication, division and fractions | History: The Bronze Age to the Iron Age |
| Geography: Biomes | Science: 1. Plants 2. Light | RE: 1. What is the Holy Trinity? 2. What kind of world did Jesus want? |
| Music: 1. Pitch 2. Technology | Computing: 1. Sequencing Sounds. 2. Databases | PSHE: 1. Safety and changes. Safe. 2. Citizenship. |
| PE: is timetabled for Tuesday this term | Art: Ancient scrolls | DT: Wearable technology |

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

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| Spring 1 st half term | Wednesday 7th January | Wednesday 21st January | Wednesday 4th February |
| Spring 2 nd half term | Wednesday 25th February | Wednesday 11th March | Wednesday 25th March |

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 and Mrs J Lynam-Smith (Year 3 Class Teachers)

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