WEST BOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

September 2021

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Year 3 Staff

Hawthorn Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Eades, Teaching Assistant: Mrs Dosanjh

Hornbeam Class - Class Teacher: Mrs Wheaton (Tues PM, Weds, Thurs) Mr Atkinson (Mon, Tues AM, Fri), Teaching Assistant:

Ms Akbar (Mon, Weds, Thurs, Fri), Mrs Cremore (Tues)

Year 3 LSA: Mrs Manser

Leader of Learning for Woodlands Team (Y3 & 4): Mrs Eades

PPA Cover (RE and Music) is Thursday afternoons. This is covered by Mrs Wheaton/Mrs Hill. Children need to wear their PE kits to school on Monday's and Friday's. Please wear warmer clothes (navy joggers and navy hoodie) in the colder months and please take out earrings.

Our Learning

During the course of the year our topics will be:

Term Ĭ—Beyond the Window

Term 2—Bright Sparks Academy Term 3—Discovering Guatemala

Term 4—Rock and Koll Term 5—Living Land

Term 6—Walk Like an Egyptian

For the first few weeks we are spending time helping the children reconnect with each other and school life. We are also gauging where the children are in their Maths and English learning, so we can plan to fill any gaps. Please be reassured that we are taking things slowly whilst everyone settles back in to school life.

Learning is cross curricular and we will continue to focus on deepening understanding of Maths through the mastery approach and English skills. Children will be expected to write in Standard English and expectations of handwriting, spelling, punctuation and grammar will continue to be high.

We will continue to develop learning skills alongside our core values and curriculum. These skills enable children to become life long learners. The focus of these skills change every other

Any trips or visits will be confirmed later on in the year when we have more clarification about what it is safe for schools to do.

Water Bottles and Fruit

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school everyday. They may also bring in a fruit snack for playtime. If it is cut fruit, please put this in a named container.

Timestables

It is also an expectation that children in Year 3 know their 2, 3, 4 5, 8 and 10 times tables. Children will continue to be tested as part of the 'Rockstars Maths' award in which certificates are awarded for continued high achievement. Times tables should be practised regularly at home. Children can also practise at home via Times Tables Rockstars. A reminder of their login will come home with them.

Learning at Home

Children are expected to read at home at least 3 times a week and the contact book should be signed. However, reading books need to be in school every day. Reading books are to be changed by the children.
We will be continuing Buster's Reading incentive scheme this year. Children will receive a new bookmark very soon. Please record the number of minutes that they have read on a Wednesday evening ready for data collection on a Thursday. If your child has exceeded their target minutes, please record this on the bookmark too. Our target in Year 3 is to read for at least 15 minutes per night.

In addition to reading, we expect the children to learn and practise times tables and weekly spellings. The children will also continue to have home learning . This needs to be completed and returned to school on a MONDAY morning.

Welcome to Year Three, we are delighted to have you back and are looking forward to a fun and productive year. We have some really excited learning planned for you this year and we know that you will learn a lot – make sure that you explain your learning to your grown up when you get home – you never know, you might be teaching them something new! Remember you cán't bring toys or artéfacts in, but you can always photograph them and send via Dojo, so that we can share them amongst our year group. We have had a really successful start and know that this will continue.

Contact and Communication

Our preferred way to share what has been going on in class is through Class Dojo. We will also use this for messages that we have shared in class with the children. This is also a great way for you to keep us informed of any information that we may need or any questions you have. Alternatively, a note can be recorded in the children's Reading Record Book, we aim to check these twice a week. To report an absence please use ParentMail or to advise of a change in collection arrangements, please contact the school office via phone or email before 2:30pm.