



We are Year 3

Welcome back. It sounds like you have all had a lovely summer from what the children have told me. The first few weeks back at school have been lovely and the children have transitioned into year 3 seamlessly. Ms Croarken and I are extremely excited for the coming year and look forward to working with you to support your child emotionally, academically, and spiritually.

Expectations for Year 3

We have high expectations for all of the children in Year 3 and we wish for all children to be the very best they can be. We expect all children to respect the Catholic ethos of the school. We ask that children take every opportunity given to them to develop to reach their full potential and achieve their goals. Children need to come to school ready to learn, this includes having their uniform labelled and wearing the correct footwear. Most of all, we expect the children to be willing to learn and grow as individuals. All we ever ask in Year 3 is that everyone tries their best!

Homework

Reading

Reading is the most valuable piece homework that your child will ever do. In Year 3 it is expected that they read for about 10/15 minutes each day outside of school. Please actively encourage your child to read for pleasure. They have been provided with a home reading record, which should be completed daily, detailing what they are reading and with whom. This should be brought into school every day. I ask for your support in encouraging and monitoring your child's reading. Children are encouraged to select their own books, and they are allowed to change them as they are finished. Ms. Croarken or I will check that it has been signed on a Monday. Children will have one more opportunity on Tuesday to get it signed if it has not already been done so. After this, if it is still not signed the children will lose 5 minutes of their break to read in school.

Spelling

Every Friday, Year 3 will be tested on their spelling. This test will consist of 5 words from the Y3/4 statutory word list (set the Friday before) and 5 words that are chosen in relation to the spelling rule that we have been focusing on in lessons that week.

Times tables

Please make sure your child is practising their times tables regularly; it is such an important part of their subject knowledge in maths. All children have login to TT Rockstars which is a fun and engaging way to consolidate and extend their timetable knowledge. For now, we will be focusing on our 2, 5 and 10 times tables making sure we are secure in these. Times tables will be tested weekly.

SPaG.com

Homework will be set fortnightly on SPaG.com and login reminders will be going out early next week. SPaG.com allows the children to consolidate and revise their learning. This should be completed independently, as is used as a tool for understanding what the children know and what areas they require support with.

Autumn Curriculum

English	In English, we will be looking at a wide variety and text types.
Maths	In maths, we are using many concrete resources to develop our mathematical understanding of number. We will be focusing on the place value and looking at 3- digit numbers.
RE	This terms value and virtue Compassionate and Loving . In our RE lessons, we will be looking at the unit Belonging.
Science	Plants
PE	Please make sure PE kits are in school on MONDAY and THURSDAY Monday: Tennis (with Mr Youson) Thursday: Outdoor Learning (Miss Hayden)
History	The Stone Age – Why was the Stone Age such an important era? What accomplishments were made?
Geography	Climate and Weather Why is climate important?

I am extremely excited about the year ahead and look forward to helping your child develop academically, socially, emotionally, and spiritually. We will be having lots of fun along the way, and I hope they will enjoy this year as we have many wonderful things planned for them. I also look forward to working closely with you and speaking with you at our parents evening in October.

In the meantime, should you have any questions, comments or concerns that you would like to raise with me, please do not hesitate to email me at: Madison.hayden@allsoulsschool.co.uk

Many Thanks,

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