



## St Clement Danes Church of England Primary School

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Dear Year 3 Parents and Carers,

### WELCOME TO YEAR THREE!

I hope you and your children have enjoyed coming back to school, I know I have! I want to start by thanking you all for being so kind and welcoming in my first weeks at St Clement Danes, I am really looking forward to the year ahead.

While the transition to Key Stage 2 (KS2) can be tiring, Year 3 have absolutely excelled themselves and are excited to share about what they got up to over our time away from the classroom, as well as looking ahead to new learning.



#### Topic Work

This term in Science we are learning about rocks and soils, focusing on learning how to classify and describe different types of rocks. We are learning to appreciate the natural world around us and have been reading Oliver Jeffers' 'Here We Are' in Literacy and reading the Creation story in Collective Worship to think about ways we can be kind to others, the planet and ourselves.

#### Homework

Most homework will be set on a Friday and will be due in the following Wednesday. As well as this, the children will be given some extended topic homework which will require more time to be spent on it. Homework will be set at your child's level so should be achievable, however if your child is experiencing difficulty after giving it a try then please let me know.

Spellings will be set on Fridays and your child will have a spelling test the Friday morning of the following week.

Your child has been given a new reading journal. Please encourage them to complete a minimum of 20 minutes reading each day and listen to them read on a regular basis. Reading journals should be kept in your child's school bag so that it can be checked regularly. We will be giving out house points for children who have their reading journal signed and commented every day of the week, and a special prize for anyone who gets a house point every week! Reading is a big priority in Year 3 and we encourage the children to be writing their own comments in their journals, as well as parents.



## PE

Indoor PE will take place on Tuesday afternoons (gymnastics with coach Tom); outdoor PE will take place on Thursday afternoons (with coach Robin).

## Spanish

Spanish is a new addition to our curriculum in Key Stage Two. Ask your child to show off their new communication skills!



## Uniform

Year 3 are looking very smart at the moment. Please do continue to ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform, including the tie and blazer every day. You can [click here](#) to see the full uniform policy on the school website. I would like to highlight that bottoms for PE must be navy blue, not black and children must have black plimsolls or black trainers in school for PE. If you have bought a non-string tie, can you please make sure your child can confidently tie it themselves after PE, also the same for shoes with shoelaces.

Finally, I want to thank you in advance for your cooperation and support this year, I feel very proud to be teaching your child's class at St CD. Please talk to me in the playground, at the end of the day or while you are lining up in Drury Lane before school, if you have any questions or concerns so they can be addressed promptly. If you can't speak to me in the playground, then do email me via the school office and I will get back to you as quickly as I can.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Routledge  
Year 3 Class Teacher