

Welcome to Year 3



Morning Routine

Children will enter school through the top gate opened by a member of SLT each morning. Generally, the children come into school without an adult as this encourages independence.

Dear Parents,
Your children have had a really good start to the new term. We thought it was important to inform you of the changes and differences in Year 3 routines and expectations from the Infant School. This will hopefully mean our start in Juniors continues to run as smoothly as possible.

Homework Diary

Your child will be issued with a Homework Diary, where they will write down weekly homework, spelling scores, times tables scores and mental maths test scores. Please sign the diary weekly once your child has completed their homework. Feel free to write any accompanying notes, e.g, whether the homework was completed independently or if your child found a piece too difficult. The Homework Diary is also a means of communication, so please write any questions/notes in it. The Teacher will check Homework diaries on Fridays, but please encourage your child to show their Homework Diary sooner if there is an important note from home.

Our first topic will be 'World Explorers'.

Water Bottles

It is vital your child comes into school with a full water bottle each day. There is drinking water available in each class so your child will be able to refill throughout the day. Please ensure they are only filled with water - no juice/squash.



P.E.

Please ensure P.E. kits remain in school and all items are named. P.E. sessions will take place on Friday afternoon for all Year 3 classes. Your child will need to wear their house colour tops, jumpers and long socks, black shorts/skorts and tracksuit bottoms for the winter months, and a pair of trainers.



Library books

Your child will select home reading books from our library. These can be changed daily or whenever your child has finished. The children are reminded to change them during Guided Reading sessions. We promote this as an independent choice.

Reading Diaries

Please record each time your child reads aloud to an adult: date, name of book, page numbers read and a comment with your signature. Our school policy is that the children read aloud to an adult as often as possible, preferably at least 3 times a week.

Homework

Homework will be set on Friday and is to be handed in on the following Thursday. This is usually English or Maths. Homework is a consolidation of work taught that week or as an extension. If your child is struggling to complete the Homework, please indicate to the Teacher in the Homework Diary.

New spellings are glued into the Homework Diary every Friday and tested the following Thursday.

Times tables will be given out by the individual Maths Teacher weekly.

Please provide your child with an A4 folder, so they can keep their homework and targets in it safely.

Children, who complete their homework weekly or getting full marks in spelling tests, will be awarded House points!



Snacks

Please provide your child with a snack daily to eat at break time. Our Healthy School policy encourages only fruit or vegetables.

Swimming

All Year 3 children have the opportunity to take part in Swimming lessons at George's Academy. The lessons will commence in January and last until the end of the Spring term. A letter from the office will be sent out in December to confirm the timetable.



Help

If you hold a current DBS and would like to help out with Swimming, educational visits or hear readers in school, please let your class Teacher know via the Homework Diary.

Communication

If you need to speak to your class Teacher, please write a note in the Homework Diary in the first instance, but if you feel you need to discuss any issue, please make an appointment with the office.