

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and we wish you all a very happy new year.

This term, children will be consolidating things they have learnt in the Autumn term as well as learning new skills and expanding their knowledge. Our new topic is“ **Foot Prints From The Past**’.

We will be continuing to learn about the Stone Age through to the Iron Age as well as finding out about rocks and fossils. This will build links between history and science.

We will change their reading books once a week. Please can we request that you support the children to read regularly.

Can we also request that parents ensure children bring their book bags with their reading records to school everyday.

Thank you once again for your support.

Mr Bolt and Ms Tat

P.E KITS

YEAR 3 PE DAY—TUESDAY



Pupils are expected to bring in their P.E every Monday. Please ensure that all P.E kits are labelled.

This should consist of :

- **Red** t-shirt
- **Blue** shorts or jogging bottoms
- **Black** Plimsolls or trainers

P.E kits should be taken home each Friday to be washed .

TIMES TABLES

It is essential that you practice times tables with your children. We are currently doing work involving formal written methods to multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers. It is expected that the children already know their 1,2,3,4,5,8 and 10 times tables. Those children that don't know them will struggle to keep up. Please practice daily.



Y3 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January	
Mon 15 th	Healthy Living Week After School Clubs start
Wed 17 th	Athletics Competition
Thurs 18 th	RE Day
February	
Thu 8 th	Chinese New Year Assembly @ 9.30
Fri 9 th	Inset Day—School Closed
Half term	12th -16th February
Mon 19 th	School Open to Pupils
Fri 23 rd	Year 3 Natural History Museum Trip
<i>Week Beginning 26th - Book Week</i>	
March	
Thurs 1 st	World Book Day
Fri 2 nd	Year 3 Natural History Museum Trip
Mon 12 th	Last Week of Clubs
Tues 20 th	Year 3 Pizza Express Trip
Thurs 22 nd	Parents’ Evening 4-8pm
Thurs 29 th	LAST DAY OF TERM (Own clothes day)

If any of these dates or times change we will endeavour to inform you as soon as possible.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The children will be continuing to learn about their rights as a child .

VALUE OF THE MONTH

Values for this term are as follows:

- January— Commitment
- February—Consistency

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD’S WRITING.

When helping your child with their writing could you try to encourage the use of:

- **Punctuation**, e.g. capital letters, full stops, question marks and explanation marks.
- **Interesting words**, e.g. describing appearance, texture, feeling etc.
- **Openers** eg. then, soon, after, before, during, it, the
- **Connectives**, such as the words but, so, because, while etc to help connect simple ideas / sentences together.
- **Cursive handwriting**, as it will help them to form the letters correctly.
- **Phonics**, e.g. to sound out the spelling of unfamiliar words.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be given every week and should be returned on the following Tuesday in line with the rest of the school.



