

Dear Children,

Welcome to Class 3!

After the summer holidays, you will be moving up into Class 3. This will be an exciting time for you. We also understand this will be a big change, but I am sure you will rise to the challenge of moving into our class. In our class, you will be expected to work hard and behave well. With a good attitude, there will also be rewards for you and the rest of the class. You may already be aware of some of the rewards we have in class, such as our Gem Jar Party.

There are lots of exciting activities in the works for when you start in September. I have already begun to organise our class trip, as well as create displays that you can interact with. We like to hear what you want to see in your classroom, as well as in your learning. At the start of every new topic, you get to tell us what questions you want answering through the term, and we try our best to answer every single one of them.

Equipment

Now you are in KS2, you are also welcome to bring in your own pencil case. However, if you do want to bring in your own equipment, it is also your responsibility to keep it safe. You should also be mature with your belongings as if you do not use your equipment correctly, you will not be allowed to bring it.

Here is a list of equipment you may want to bring in:

- Pencils (HB and H)
- Rubber
- Coloured pencils
- Glue Stick (non-coloured)
- Scissors (small, pointed)
- Felt tip pens
- Green and red ball point pens for your comments

We ask that ALL children bring in an A4 display book to store their homework in each week. Examples can be found here: http://www.amazon.co.uk/Tiger-Black-Display-Folder-Rigid/dp/B0025LBAFQ/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1436261062&sr=8-1&keywords=a4+display+book

As you may do 'messy' work in Art and DT, we ask that you bring to school some sort of protection for your clothes. Old adult shirts with sleeves modified are ideal in most cases. A hook, to hand it on your peg, is essential.

Remember, the cloakrooms are very small and back packs are dangerous because they tend to leap off the pegs and lie around on the floor. Please only bring the small approved bags - or carrier bags - to school. These will hang on your hook, under your coat in the winter, and not look messy or create a danger to others.

Of course, all of the above items should be clearly marked with your name. Remember to check these regularly.

Preparation for the Autumn Term

During the first week we will be creating time capsules, so I would like you to bring an object that tells us a little bit about yourself. Please do not bring an object of great value as these will be locked away till the end of the academic year. Examples of objects: a note, photograph, small toy.

Our History topic for the first term is: The Vikings. To prepare for this, I would like you to do a little research over the summer holidays and I expect this to be handed in on the first week of the term in September. There are two tasks to choose from (you are only expected to complete one, though you are free to do both):

- 1. Create a short fact file on something about the Vikings such as: food, animals, tools, weapons or homes.
- 2. Create a Viking ship (Possible resource: http://downloads.bbc.co.uk/history/handsonhistory/vikings_longship.pdf)

Useful links*:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/vikings/

Remember, a great resource to use to help with recall of key facts is 'Hit the Button'. You can also keep your own reading journal to let me know what books you have been reading over the summer (or maybe even try writing your own book review)!

Have a fantastic summer holiday and come back in September raring to go!

Miss Parry

^{*}Only use the Internet with an adult's permission.