

Welcome to Year 3

Ruby

Mr Simpson

Learning support: Mrs Caltagirone

Topaz

Mr Carter and Mrs Kilburn (Friday)

Learning support: Mrs McCauley

Overview of the year

Autumn

- Prehistoric Britain and Earthquakes and Volcanoes
- Light, Plants, Forces and Magnets

Spring Term

- Mountains and The Egyptians
- Animals including Humans and Plants

Summer Term

- Maps Skills and The Ancient Greeks
- Rocks, Fossils, Plants and Soil

Overview of the year for RE

Autumn

Creation and Covenant

Prophecy and Promise

Spring

Galilee to Jerusalem

Desert to Garden

Summer

To the ends of the earth

Dialogue and Encounter

Responsibilities and Expectations

Independence – Beginning Key Stage 2.

Look after their own possessions.

Wear uniform correctly and with pride.

PE kit – Monday & Friday (everyday preferable).

Complete homework on time & to an acceptable standard.

Act responsibly around the school.

Arrive at school on time – 8.40am

Notices

Collection – please send a note if they are being collected by someone different, not in reading records

Regular pick ups – please inform us if someone is collecting your child regularly

Pencil case equipment

- HB pencils
- Highlighter pen
- Long ruler
- Rubber
- Pencil sharpener
- Coloured pencils
- Green biro pen
- Fine black white board marker

A good idea to have

- Head towel for swimming
- Socks not tights for swimming
- Spare socks in PE bag
- Apron for Art



Homework

Literacy and Maths homework set on a **FRIDAY**

All homework due in by **THURSDAY**

Thursday: Spelling and Times Table test

Please practise these daily!

Daily reading – Adults please record in reading record books

If they are struggling with a piece of work- **STOP!** The children are reminded to see us if they don't understand homework (not on the day it's due!)

Reading

Encourage reading as much as possible, read both fiction and non-fiction.

Your child is to read aloud to an adult every day

Question whilst reading to check for understanding

Add a comment (on their reading) in their reading records (focus on comprehension, punctuation, intonation, recount, what will happen next?)

Accelerated Reader

Online assessment and regular quizzes to gauge comprehension skills

At the end of each book children take a quick quiz on the computer

We ask each child to quiz regularly as this enables them to reach the next level

Spelling

Spelling – LEARN the words!
Not just ‘write four times’

Write a sentence for the weekly chosen words

- Saying spellings aloud
- Look for other words that follow the pattern
- One spelling column per day
- Practice test at home

Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check!

Key dates for Year 3 this term

Sunday 20th September – Family Mass

21st September – Swimming starts

23rd September – Rescheduled Y2 trip (Bracknell Forest the Lookout)

2nd October – INSET

19th and 20th October - Parents Consultations

13th October – Topaz Forest School

3rd November – Ruby Forest School

Curriculum Consumables Fund

- A voluntary donation of £10 can be paid through ScoPay to help support the ongoing cost of consumables used throughout the curriculum (such as Science and Design & Technology)
- We appreciate any contributions that can be made to support high quality resources for your children



School Development Fund



- 1.The Governors' Fund has been renamed **School Development Fund**
- 2.Made up of voluntary donations from parents of children at Cardinal Newman
- 3.Used to enable the school to develop both buildings and resources to provide the best education for our children
- 4.School Development Fund covers items beyond what government funding can cover