

Important Times

9:00 School begins
9:10 Assembly
9:30 Session 1
10:25 Year 3 Playtime
10:40 Session 2
12:00 - 12:30 Eat lunch
12:30 - 1:00 Lunchtime play
1:00 Guided Reading and Session 3
2:00 Afternoon playtime
2:15 Session 4
3:30 Home time

Snacks and Drinks

Fruit and milk are not provided in Key Stage 2. If you wish to have a snack at playtime, you may bring in your own fresh fruit or vegetable snack. You **must** bring a labelled drink bottle which can be stored on your desk. This must be taken home at the end of every day to be washed and brought back the following day.

Information for parents

Please support your child by...

- encouraging him/her to be independent and take responsibility for their possessions.
- making sure all items of clothing are named.
- making sure homework is completed on time and neatly presented.
- listening to your child read at least three times a week.



In Key Stage 2, it is your child's responsibility to record his/her reading. (Please note that in Key Stage 2, adults in school will not normally put comments in the green reading records.)

Thank you for your continued support.

Welcome to Key Stage 2



Mrs Thomas is looking forward to teaching you and helping you with your learning.

You will have lots of fun during your time in Year 3!

Welcome back to school and to Year 3, also the beginning of your Key Stage 2 journey. Many things in Year 3 will be similar to Key Stage 1, though some things will be different. This booklet gives you some useful information to help you settle into Key Stage 2.

PE

Please could you ensure that the appropriate kit is brought to school on the following days:

Mondays

Swimming kit. You will receive a letter telling you what you need to bring and when we will start going swimming. This won't be happening in the first few weeks of term.

Tuesdays

An indoor and **outdoor** PE kit is required as our PE sessions will be outdoors for now.

You will need: a white t-shirt, black/blue shorts and pumps/plimsolls, jumper, joggers or leggings, and outdoor footwear.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled.

For now, you will also need to take home your PE kit for washing after each PE lesson. Please remember bring it back to school ready for your next PE lesson.

Reading

In Key Stage 2 you will be able to choose a book to read at home. You will find a booklist 'metrolink' in the front of your green reading record or you may have a sheet in school. You can use this to tick off the books you have read. This will also help you when choosing the next book that you need to read. A greater sense of independence is encouraged in Year 3 as you are responsible for changing your own reading books.

Don't forget to record your reading in your green reading record. It is important that you read at least three times a week. Reading records will be **checked every Monday**. If your reading record shows less than three reads, you will be asked to complete an extra read at lunchtime.

Green Reading Record

Your green reading record should be kept in your St Mary's book bag and should be **brought to school every day**. It contains the 'metrolink' booklist you will need when changing your reading book and also your homework tasks.

Spellings

You will be given a selection of words to spell each week with a particular focus on spelling patterns and topic vocabulary. These will be recorded in a spelling book and a spelling assessment will take place every **Thursday**. A copy of our termly spellings can be found on the school's website. Please check out our Year 3 class page.

Homework

For the first few weeks, your homework will be simply to do lots of reading. You may also be set some fun tasks to complete on TT Rockstars. Homework will be sent home every Friday. Please look at the presentation policy stuck on the inside of your homework books. Once you have completed your homework, please bring it back to school and place it in the homework box. Please ensure your homework is handed in no later than **Wednesday**. Any homework not handed in on this day will be completed at lunchtime in reflection.

Times tables

Please continue to practise your times tables at home. We will be focusing on multiplication facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 multiplication tables. Quick and accurate recall will be an essential skill you need to develop. You will shortly receive information about **Times Tables Rockstars** and how it can be used at home to support your learning.

What to do when you enter the class in the morning

For now you will need to:

1. Hang your PE Kit and book bag on your peg.
2. Put your lunchbox or disposable bag for lunch on the rack outside the Year 3 classroom.
3. If you have any completed homework, put it in the homework box.
4. Hang your coat on the back of your chair.
5. Change your home reading book if you need to. Use your book list to help you find your next book.