



Year 3 Newsletter Term 1

2021

Welcome to
Year 3!



Dear All,

Welcome to Year Three! I hope everyone is well. I would like to start by congratulating all of the children who have all settled really well into Year 3 and into KS2. It has been a real pleasure starting to get to know each and every child. This newsletter provides information for you for this term and gives you information about what your child will be learning in their first term in Year Three. Miss Hope and Miss Hulme will also be working in Year 3 this year, along with Mrs Coen on a Wednesday pm. If you have any questions about this newsletter or anything else please feel free to email me. Getting to see you personally, as I'm sure you're aware, is not always an option but I'm always available via email. Laura Shepley - l.shepley@newmills-pri.derbyshire.sch.uk



Topic This term our topic is called 'Stone Age to Iron Age'. It will be a historical topic looking closely at the changes which took place in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. This topic will cover many other areas of the curriculum. We will also be studying rocks in science. Please see the attached 'Learning Journey'. To support our learning, I have arranged a trip for us to Pooles Cavern in Buxton on Monday 11th October. More information to follow soon!

Homework –For this term homework will be set, via Teams on a Monday and should be handed in when completed (ideally before the following Monday please). Talking homework may also be set so please ask your child and/or check your child's Reading Record Book. Whatever support you can provide with maths is invaluable. Times tables practice is always extremely beneficial. Please could your child practice the x2, x3, x4, x5, x8, x10 tables. Activities to support these will be sent home regularly. Online homework will include the use of TT Rockstars and Mathletics. More information to follow with user names and passwords etc.

Teams – Usernames and passwords remain the same as last year. I will use this platform for as much communication as possible so please do check it regularly. I can remind people of usernames and reset passwords if needed. Please email me.

Reading –It is essential that your child has their reading book in school everyday. It's also really important that your child reads every night at home, where possible. This doesn't necessarily mean for long periods of time, ten minutes is fine. If you have heard your child read please sign the Reading Record book making a note of pages read etc. Likewise, if your child completes a book at home please let me know via the Reading Record book (even if your child reads independently). Please also look at your child's reading targets. These can be found on the 'colour' sticker in your child's reading record book.

Breaktime Snacks

If your child would like a snack at breaktime please provide **fruit only** - no cereal bars or other snacks please.

Twitter

Please be sure to check Twitter regularly - I'll be sharing a lot of photos with you about the exciting things we're doing in Year 3!

Attack of the Rucksacks!!

Lots of children have brought rucksacks back to school this term. As lovely as they are they are beginning to take over the cloakroom area! They do not fit on the pegs and with so many all over the floor they are a trip and fire hazard. Children only generally need to transport reading books, possibly homework sheets, their fruit snack and a water bottle in their bag. Lunch boxes are generally carried separately and placed in a separate box in the classroom. If it's possible please can I encourage pupils to only bring their school book bag? These are much easier to store - they will be kept in a separate box safely away from the coats.

PE – days for PE this term will be Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure your child is dressed for PE as per school guidance -own black tracksuit bottoms/leggings and black trainers please. **Earrings need to be removed please as we are unable to cover them.**

Daily Mile!

We will be doing the Daily Mile every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:50am.

Water Bottles - Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school. These can be purchased from the school office for £1.50. The children really benefit from regular water and sharing cups is obviously not an option. Please ensure that the class water bottle contains only water, no juice please.

Thank
you!