



Welcome to Year 3/4



Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome you to our Year 3/4 class named Perfect Planets! I hope that your child enjoys the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 3/4 has to offer. We are excited to be starting lots of new topics, States of Matter, Ancient Greeks and Marvellous Mountains are just a few! We are sure to have great fun learning together.

Reading



Guided reading will be completed throughout the week. This means your child will bring home a new reading book on the day they have guided reading sessions.

You are welcome to record any comments about your child's reading and return these to school to inform us of how your child's reading is progressing at home. I am happy to send additional books as requested. Children's reading levels will be reviewed in September and a coloured book-band will be allocated, which may be different to their previous colour band. Children may receive the same book twice and this is to consolidate comprehension and word recognition skills.

I will hear your child read in school each week in guided reading sessions and through whole class reading of our class novel. These sessions aim to provide more focused teaching of reading and comprehension skills.

It is vital that your child reads as much as possible at home, as well as in school, to make good progress, to improve comprehension, word recognition, spelling and to have fun!



Homework

Homework this term will go out on a **Friday** and please return it the following **Wednesday**.

Homework this term will focus mainly on key skills such as spelling, reading and maths tasks.

If a project is sent home to be completed e.g. for History, this will be optional and a much longer time scale will be given to ensure it is manageable for pupils and families. Your support with homework is appreciated.

Following the success of previous years, homework will be set, returned and marked on MS TEAMS. Children's logins will remain the same as last year and they will receive a copy of this to take home in the first week of term. If your child doesn't have a log in we will send this home.

If your child is unable to access their TEAMS account at home for whatever reason, we will provide a suitable time in school for children to complete the tasks prior to the hand in date.



PE

Year 3/4 PE day is Thursday. Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school at all times with all items clearly labelled.

Please note earrings must be removed for PE lessons. Also, for the continued health and safety of our pupils, we are aiming to be an 'earring free' school. Your support in this is greatly appreciated.



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Times Tables

This year, **Year 4** will be taking a Multiplication Tables check, all children will be completing daily times tables tasks up to 12x12.

Homework will include Times Table Rock Stars set work. To ensure children are ready parents are encouraged to support children in their preparation for this and practice as much at home as possible please. For example; how many can you achieve in a minute?

Can I help?



We understand that starting a new school year may be challenging and daunting for some pupils, please rest assured that I will do everything to ensure that your children find school a safe, fun and welcome environment in Year 3/4.

If you have any concerns or questions relating to your child, please feel free to email or ring the school to contact me. I am always happy to help and want to work with you to ensure your child becomes the best they can be this year.

Thank you for your support.

Miss Hartley