



## Making the Most of Everyone

### Welcome to Year 3 Croeso i Blwyddyn 3

We would like to provide you with some information so that you are aware of our organisation and teaching strategies.

#### The Year 3 Team

3D - Mrs Dakeyne  
3R - Mrs Roberts



#### Aims



As your child enters Key Stage 2, we want to encourage independence, a sense of responsibility and initiative. This is why looking after their own possessions, having their PE kit in school and taking responsibility for completing and returning homework punctually are important. Any strategies which you can offer to support your child would be most welcome.

#### Homework



Homework will be given on a Friday, to be returned by Wednesday. An English based homework will be given one week and a Maths task the following week. Pupils will have a homework book in which to complete the task. Pupils are responsible for looking after this book and returning it to school the following week. We shall inform you if more than two pieces of homework are late or missed.

#### Pupil Clothing

Please label all items of clothing worn or sent to school so that we can locate any lost items during the school term.

#### Reading

Pupils are grouped according to reading ability, however, these groups are flexible and, at the discretion of the teacher, movement between them is quite common. Pupils are expected to bring in their reading book and reading record daily.

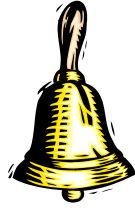
Guided Reading sessions are held daily. Pupils are given guidance but choose books independently from the school library to take home. They each have a Reading Record which should be completed as a diary of their reading. Pupils will be rewarded when their book is signed to say that they have read with someone. The most important factor is that children are either reading or hearing stories regularly. Encouraging children to enjoy reading is essential if they are to read independently.

#### Spelling

The pupils' Reading Record contains a word list. Pupils should practise reading and writing these words regularly. Try to make it as fun as possible by playing beat the clock. We would like pupils to be able to spell and read as many of the words on the list as possible.

### Timings of the school day

Doors open at 8:45am and school finishes at 3:15pm. If doors are locked please enter through the front office. If your child is absent please notify the school office.



### Dinner Money

£1.90 per day

£9.50 per week



Could you please place dinner money in an envelope with your child's name and class clearly labelled.

Snack money:

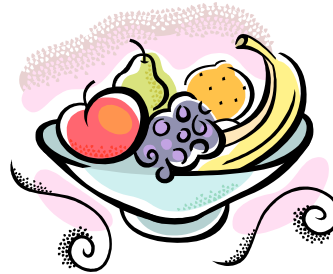
20p per day for Key Stage 2 or pupils can bring their own fruit from home.

### Mobile Phones

We would prefer the children not to bring mobile phones into school, however if your child does bring a mobile phone to school, it is entirely at their own risk and must be handed in to the teacher for safe keeping until the end of the day.

### Healthy Eating

We are a healthy school. The children can buy or bring a piece of fresh fruit each morning and water is available throughout the day. Through curriculum work, pupils also learn about how to create healthy meals and lunch boxes.



In line with our Healthy School Policy, the pupils' School Council have decided that snacks at morning break will now consist of fruit only in both Foundation Phase and Key Stage 2.

### Seeing your Child's Teacher

Success and happiness depend on both parents and teachers working together for the wellbeing of our children. If there is an issue of concern please do not hesitate to either send a note or make an appointment to come in and see your child's teacher.

Parents' Evenings will be held during the autumn and spring terms. A written report will be given in July.

### PE

We have PE twice a week, indoor and outdoor. Children need to be dressed appropriately for the activities and weather conditions. Specific days for PE are as follows:

Indoor: Monday

Outdoor: Friday

If, for whatever reason, your child cannot participate in PE on a specific day we ask that you send a note in to inform the class teacher.

