

EQUIPMENT

It would be helpful if you could ensure that your child has the necessary equipment for school, such as pencils, pencil sharpeners, an apron or old shirt for art and a small bag for their reading books and homework. If your child has not yet brought a painting shirt, it is useful for our art sessions to prevent school uniform being damaged.

PE kits need to be in school **all week** and can be taken home at the weekend for washing if required.

Please ensure that all school equipment is labelled with your child's name. This includes all school uniform, PE kit, water bottles and lunch boxes.

SPELLINGS

We have introduced a new system for spellings at CBSJ. All children will be given 5 spellings that follow a specific rule which we will spend a lesson teaching into on a Monday. In addition to this, all children will then choose 5 extra spellings from their work books that they have frequently got wrong. The following Monday, the children will test each other on spellings and new spellings will be issued.

HOMEWORK

Your child will be given homework each Wednesday for return the following Tuesday. As this work supports and often extends the work covered in the classroom, we would appreciate it if you could encourage your child to complete homework tasks. Please ensure that this is completed in pencil.



READING

You can help by encouraging your child to read at least ten minutes every day and discussing the book with them to check their understanding. This is a very important part of the reading process and will aid development considerably. Please sign the diary when your child has finished reading their book and feel free to make any comments about their progress. School books should be looked after carefully and we appreciate your support with this.

Please also remind your child to bring their reading book and diary to school each day.

PARENTS EVENING

Parents evening will be held on the 7th and 8th October 2015. We would like to encourage all parents to attend to meet your child's class teacher and to also see how they have settled into Junior School. A letter with further information will follow for you to select a time which is suitable for you. All appointments are given on a first come first served basis however we will try to ensure that we give you a time that you requested.

PUPIL PROGRESS

Along with children's happiness and safety in school, pupil progress is extremely important to us. We hope that by forming a supportive relationship with parents that this can help children make even better progress. If you have any questions about your child's progress then please do not hesitate in contacting us.

LEARNING SUPPORT MENTOR

We are very fortunate to have a Learning Support Mentor in school who is available to support children with their learning. If you have any concerns about your child e.g. attendance, behaviour, learning needs, family bereavement etc. then Donna may be able to help. Contact her on dwilliams@cbjs.solihull.sch.uk.

BUG CLUB AND MATHLETICS

At CBSJ, we have a license for Bug club and Mathletics. These are both exciting websites that children can use in school and can access at home. On Bug Club, children can read a range of different texts and complete fun activities linked to these. You can find it on www.bugclub.co.uk Mathletics, is very similar to this however has a focus on Maths. Children are able to log on and play a range of maths games, complete problem solving puzzles and take part in maths activities. You can find Mathletics on www.mathletics.co.uk. Your child will receive their log in in the next few weeks.

BEHAVIOUR

We operate a positive behaviour management system.

There are four simple and easy to remember rules:

1. Follow instructions.
2. Keep hands, feet, objects and put downs to yourself.
3. Respect people, property and the environment.
4. Listen to the person who is meant to be speaking.

Pupils are regularly rewarded for following the school rules. When pupils do not follow the school rules they receive a sanction. Rewards include whole class Golden Time on a Friday, raffle prizes and group reward time.

To support this further, we are using Class Dojo. This is a brilliant tool to track pupil's behaviour and to encourage excellent behaviour in school. Every time that your child does something positive, they will receive a Dojo Point. This goes towards the class house points which earns Golden Time. You are able to see how well your child has done

Meet the Year 3 Team.

Year 3 Teachers

Miss Pittaway (Year Leader), Mrs Lavender, Miss Saleem and Mrs Talibudeen

Year 3 Teaching Assistants

Mrs Pritchard, Miss Tuby, Mrs Palmer, Mrs and Grady.

We understand that there may be times when you need to contact your child's teacher and we are always happy to speak to you. Directly before school is a difficult time for parents to speak to teachers, children are coming in and teachers are required for supervision as well as beginning to teach. Parents can either leave a message with the Teaching Assistant or Teacher on the door or see staff after school. Alternatively parents can arrange a convenient date through the office via a phone call or email the class teachers as follows:-

s10mpittaway@cbjs.solihull.sch.uk
s10etalibudeen@cbjs.solihull.sch.uk
s10slavender@cbjs.solihull.sch.uk
s10nsaleem@cbjs.solihull.sch.uk

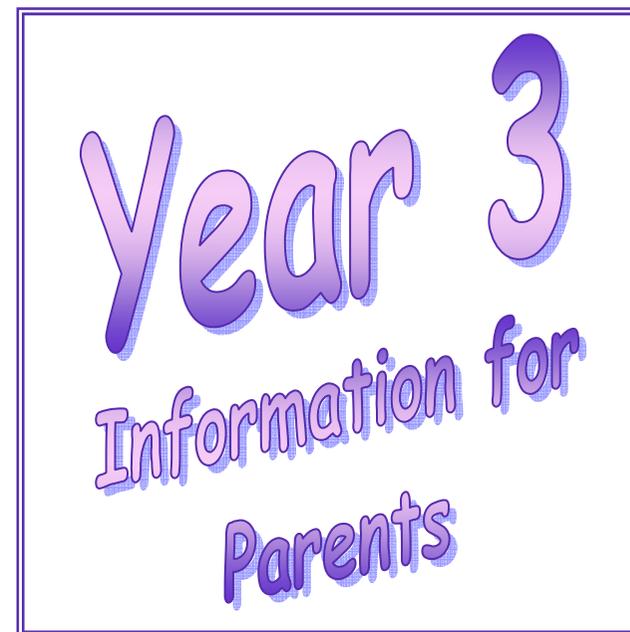
Often, with such busy school days, email can be the quickest form of communication between parents and class teachers.

If you ever have any concerns, questions or queries then please do not hesitate to contact us as we will try our very best to help you. If your class teacher is unavailable then Miss Pittaway (Year Leader) is more than happy to help.

Year 3 Curriculum

We have recently revised and updated our school curriculum in line with the new curriculum. Below is the curriculum plan for the Autumn term.

<p><u>Literacy</u> In reading and writing we will study these books or short stories: Little Mouse's Book of Worries by Emily Gravett, School for Dragons by Ann Jungman and Ice Palace by Robert Swindells.</p>	<p><u>Maths</u> - Place value - Addition and subtraction - Word problems - Measures - Shape and Space - Fractions - Multiplying and dividing - Time - Handling Data</p>	<p><u>Science</u> - Forces - Healthy Eating</p>
<p><u>ICT</u> - ESafety - We are Network Engineers. - We are computer Programmers.</p>	<p><u>History</u> - A local study of Birmingham.</p>	<p><u>Geography</u> - Map skills - A local study of Birmingham.</p>
<p><u>Music</u> - Musical Theatre. - Christmas Carol Service</p>	<p><u>P.E.</u> - Freestyle Dance. - Multi Skills games.</p>	<p><u>PSD</u> - You, Me and Us. - Anti Bullying - Friendship</p>
<p><u>R.E.</u> - Creation myths - Islam</p>	<p><u>Art</u> - Buildings Real or Imagined?</p>	<p><u>D & T</u> - Healthy Sandwiches</p>



Our Vision:

At CBJS we aim to teach the children to do the best they can, so that they learn the most they can, and develop academically, socially and physically to be as happy and as healthy as they can.