

Welcome to Year 3!

Autumn is here and we are thrilled to have classes back in school! We are looking forward to an exciting term with our new Year 3s, exploring our whole school theme 'Take One World' and helping them to settle into the junior school.

Please find detailed below some key information:

Homework

Year 3 homework is reading, spellings and times tables. It is set on a weekly basis, with the homework being handed out on Fridays and due in the following Wednesday. Children are tested on their spellings and times tables at the end of each week.

PE

We take part in PE twice a week. In line with Government guidelines in the current situation, we aim to do these sessions outside in the fresh air. Please have PE kit in school on a **Monday**. This should consist of shorts, a t-shirt and trainers. In the colder weather, children are advised to wear jogging bottoms and a jumper. Please note that if your child wears earrings to school on P.E. days, they will need to be removed or covered by tape.

School website

Please use our school website www.clarendonjuniors.co.uk for regular updates and copies of letters sent home, as well as additional homework opportunities. As well as Times Tables Rockstars, the children can practise their spelling skills with Readwriter (Spellodrome) and their reading comprehension skills with Reading Eggs. Your child will shortly be given their passwords to access these sites.

We know that, due to circumstances outside our control, transition from the infants to the junior school has been very different this year.

We understand that there might be extra concerns or worries. Please know that we are always happy to speak with you and discuss any concerns you may have, however small you might think they are! We want all our children to come into school happy and confident so it is important to us that we sort any issues out as quickly and as best we can. Please feel free to ring the office to arrange an appointment, or a time when we can chat with you over the phone, at any time if you have any concerns.

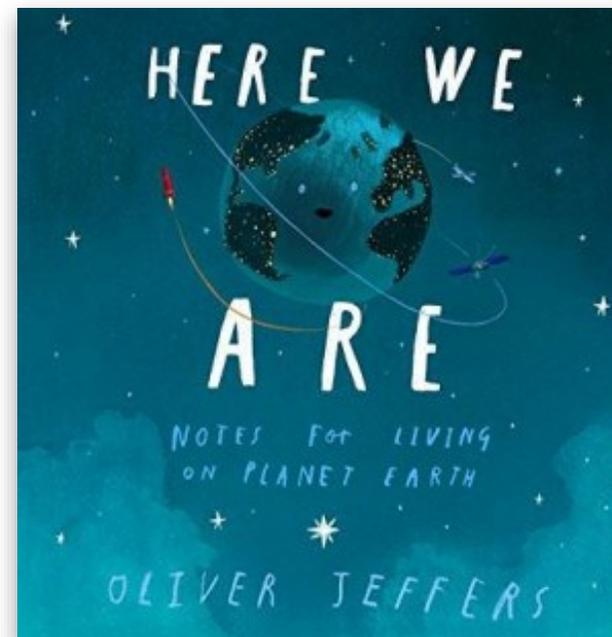
Many thanks,
Year 3 Team

Miss C. Hayday— Sharks Class & Lower Phase leader
Mrs R. Hope—Hedgehog Class

CLARENDON JUNIOR SCHOOL

CURRICULUM INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Year 3
Autumn Term 1
2020



LITERACY

We will be basing lots of our work around our book 'Here We Are' and linking it to our theme 'Take One World'. We want to reassure you that we have planned work that focuses on Year 2 work that has been missed and also closes the gaps identified in their learning.

We will explore narratives, write our own stories and also research our class animals in order to write a non-chronological report reflecting our findings. Finally, we will read a variety of poetry and write our own poems.

Throughout this term, in our daily whole class reading sessions, we will be working on decoding complex words and comprehension and retrieval skills. Children will be encouraged to join their writing.

SCIENCE

In Science this term we will be looking at Animals including Humans. First we will investigate healthy eating, food groups and the dietary needs of humans. In addition, we will explore animals' diets and classify the animals as either carnivore, herbivore or omnivore. We will also look specifically at the needs of our class animals and what diets they need to survive.

COMPUTING

This term we will discuss how to use the internet safely and responsibly. Our computing lessons will then focus on developing our basic skills using a variety of programmes and hardware. Finally, we will begin to develop our programming and inputting skills.

MUSIC

In music we will focus on the R & B song 'Let your spirit fly'. We will build our knowledge and understanding through a range of activities before a final performance.

MATHEMATICS

We know that many families will be concerned about the gaps in their child's maths learning due to the school closure. We would like to reassure you that we have planned with these 'gaps' in mind and will be using the first few weeks to identify these areas. We want to reassure you that we have planned work that focuses on Year 2 work that has been missed and also closes the gaps identified in their learning. This term, the areas we will be working on are place value, number, addition and subtraction.

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THEME: Take One World

PSHE

Your child's happiness is absolutely vital to their well-being, learning and self-esteem. With this in mind, in the first few weeks of the term we will focus on settling in and getting used to the new routines of both the junior school and school with the various new measures in place. We will learn about recognising and discussing both our own, and others, feelings. Once children have settled, we will work on our theme for this term which is 'Being Me in My World', including cooperating with our new class mates and thinking about our place in the world as global citizens.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

This term we will be focusing on settling into the junior school, into our new classes and developing friendships through creative activities.

P.E.

In line with Government guidelines in the current situation, we aim to do our two weekly P.E. sessions outside in the fresh air. We will learn how to play Tag Rugby and practise our athletic skills. We will also focus on working as a team.

GEOGRAPHY

Linking to our theme for this term, we will look at our place in the world and the countries that make up the UK. We will link this to our school's local area, Tidworth, identifying human and physical features in the area and how land is used.

RE

We will be looking at the key symbols, stories and traditions of the Hindu festival of Diwali. The children will learn and re tell the story of Rama and Sita and investigate light as a symbol.

French

We will learn how to say names, numbers and colours and sing songs in French with actions.

DT

Linking to our science this term, we will be making a healthy snack. First, we will evaluate a variety of savoury biscuits, exploring the packaging, shape and design of them as well as the taste! We will then have a go at making some cheese straws,

Homework

Homework is sent home on a Friday. The children will be given a list of spelling words to learn and they are expected to choose and complete three activities from the list at the front of their homework book each week. They will also have times tables to learn.