



BISHOP CORNISH CHURCH OF ENGLAND V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers and Children

Welcome back to a new school year and also into Year 3. I hope you've all had a really great summer and enjoyed the break. Below is some information that you may find helpful as to how things run in Year 3.

Before and After School:

In the mornings, children line up outside our classroom for the 8:50 bell and we then come into the classroom for registration. At the end of the school day, Year 3 leave via our classroom and they walk out to the carpark area in school where they meet whoever is collecting them. The children are told that if they cannot see the person collecting them, they must return to the classroom. They are not to leave the school gates unattended. I appreciate that this is a different routine to that from KS1, so for the first few days and until the children are settled into the new routine, our classroom staff will take the children out and ensure that they are met.

Topic – 'Stone Age Under the Spotlight'

In this topic we'll be travelling back in time to learn about the changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. In our science, we will be investigating 'light' and then in the second half of the term, 'rocks'.

P.E.

We will have two PE lessons a week, one on a Wednesday with Mr Brown and the other will be with Mrs Jones on a Monday. However, there are times when we need to change our P.E. sessions to another day so please keep kits in school. The children may get a little wet, so a full change of P.E. clothes are needed for this lesson. Plimsolls or trainers are also needed (the children cannot do P.E. in school shoes). If any kits are taken home to be washed at the end of the week, please can they be back in school on the Monday. Many thanks for your help with this. Hopefully we will be able to get outside as much as possible this term.

Homework/Reading

The children will each have a homework book, which will be taken home on a Friday evening and returned to school on a Thursday. Homework tasks will consist of daily reading, tables and spelling, a weekly mathematics task and topic which are covered over 2-3 weeks. There is a more detailed homework sheet in the front of homework books which children will be bringing home shortly. The mathematics tasks are set online, so if anyone needs access to the internet, please do have a word with me and we can sort this out. If there are any problems at all with homework, please do pop in and see me.

Outside Learning

We love taking our learning outside at Bishop Cornish. To save us getting soggy socks, it would be helpful if the children could have a pair of wellies which could be kept in school. When the weather gets cooler or if it is wet, please could children ensure they bring a suitable coat.

Brass

In Year 3 we will have the opportunity to all have brass lessons weekly. The children will be given an instrument and tuition on this. Further details on this will follow.

I'm really looking forward to working with Year 3 over the next academic year. At the beginning of October, we are holding parents' evenings which will give us an opportunity to discuss how the children have settled in. If at any time you would like to meet with me, please feel free to arrange a convenient time that we can both manage.

Kind regards

Mrs Jones