



# NEWSLETTER FOR YEAR 3 AUTUMN 2018



## Welcome

I hope that you have had a wonderful summer holiday and are looking forward to this new school year. Our Autumn newsletter provides details of this term's curriculum activities. This term there will be lots of interesting and imaginative learning opportunities during our new topic work on Barford, and then World War I.

## Barford and Beyond!



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## Sports

P.E will take place on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, with both sessions involving outdoor sports. However, with the changeable weather, there may be weeks when the PE session is changed at the last minute, so please can you ensure children have their kits in school every day.

A reminder that all children are expected to wear the correct sports/P.E kit in school. Their indoor kit consists of a plain white T-shirt (with no logos) and red shorts. They will also need an outdoor kit, which could consist of dark blue or black tracksuit, white T-shirt and trainers.

Children should also bring a carrier bag for wet or muddy trainers/clothes, which will then be sent home.

## Homework Information

### Homework timetable:

<b>Monday:</b>	Spelling test
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Reading/times tables/spellings
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Reading/times tables/spellings
<b>Thursday:</b>	Weekly Maths homework due in
<b>Friday:</b>	Times tables test; weekly Maths homework set

We are currently reviewing our homework in Key Stage 2, so there may be some changes throughout the term. More information will be sent to you as soon as any changes are made.

In Year 3, children are expected to take responsibility for their own homework. If they do require help, please make a note on their homework so additional support can be given in class.

Pupils are expected to record their own reading in their reading diary, but will still need to read to an adult at home on a regular basis.

## Topics

This term our two topics will be Barford and Beyond and World War I.

**ENGLISH:** We will be using a range of texts and visual stimuli to focus on key writing skills, such as spelling & punctuation, developing vocabulary and learning to write new types of sentences.

**HISTORY:** We will be studying some of Barford's history, as well as some of the key events of World War I.

**GEOGRAPHY:** We will be creating a virtual tour of Barford village, and learning about its location within the world.

**SCIENCE:** We are studying nutrition and the human body, as well as light and shadows.

**MATHEMATICS:** We will be focusing on place value of numbers, addition and subtraction and developing times tables. Children will also be learning how to use their know to reason about their maths, as well as solving problems.

**ART/DT:** Our art and design work will be linked to our topics. We will be designing and making our own pizzas, as well as 3D models of them. We will also be creating a picture of a Barford landmark.

**ICT:** We will develop key skills in a range of subjects.

**RE:** We will be following the new Warwickshire RE Syllabus. The first topics will include how people think about God, the importance of the Bible to Christians, as well as work on Advent and Christmas towards the end of the term.

**PE:** Children will be receiving lessons in handball and gymnastics this term.

**PSHE:** Rules, personal targets, friendships and other relationships, health and happiness, rights and responsibilities.



## World War I

### *Diary dates*

10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' evening

29<sup>th</sup> October-2<sup>nd</sup> November - Half term

21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November - Key Stage 2 trip  
(Classes to be split - exact date for each class TBC)

18<sup>th</sup> December - School Pantomime trip

21<sup>st</sup> December - Last day of term

There will also be some school-led church services throughout the term. These dates will be confirmed in the school newsletter.

I am looking forward to a great year with the new Year 3 class. It will be a year where children will learn a huge range of new skills, discover much more about the world around them and will learn how to become effective, independent learners.

If you ever have any questions throughout the year, please don't hesitate to come and ask me.

Mr. Tim Swards