

Miss Birnie and Miss Dalton would like to welcome you to Year 3.

**Our Learning this term:**

**Maths**

We will be having a block of learning on Place Value. We will be reminding ourselves about the position and value of the digits of a number and recognising the Hundreds, Tens and Ones.

**English**

Our class book this term is *The War with Next Door* by Narinder Dhani. We will be focusing on nouns, pronouns and proper nouns. We will also be testing our understanding of the story by completing a weekly comprehension quiz.

**Guided Reading**

Our author for the Autumn is Roald Dahl and we begin the term reading *The Magic Finger*. We will be getting a lot of practice answering questions in full sentences using the information from the text.

**Science**

Our science lessons will be spent learning about rocks and soil.

**History**

Our history topic is The Stone Age. We will be finding out about Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic times.

**Art**

After looking at Palaeolithic cave art, we will be using bold colours to create our own Stone Age art.

**Computing**

We will be programming in our computing lessons, using *Scratch*.

**PE**

In outdoor PE sessions children will be playing basketball. For the first 9 weeks of the Autumn Term children will be swimming on Fridays.

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**Homework**

**Spellings**

Children will have their individual spellings to learn each week. Spellings to be learnt will be updated on Showbie on Fridays and the children will then be tested the following Thursday. Please ensure your child has some time at home to practise these.

**Multiplication tables**

Children are tested on their multiplication tables knowledge on Tuesdays. Times tables need to be practised at home and to assist with this all children have a Times Tables Rockstars account.

**Other notices:**

Outdoor PE is on a Thursday, and we ask that children come in to school wearing their PE kits. These are to be worn all day. The Lawley Primary PE kit consists of a pair of trainers, PE T-shirt, black shorts or trousers and a black sweatshirt/hoodie. Swimming kits will need to be brought into school on Friday mornings. Please ensure your child also brings in a towel. Goggles can be brought in but no bikinis or tankinis please.

Water bottles are to be in school each day for children to keep hydrated throughout the day.

Please continue to talk to your child about the importance of handwashing and the 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' safety procedure if they cough or sneeze.

**Important Reminders:**

**READING**

Children should be aiming to read at home at least three times per week in order to keep making good progress with their reading.

We cannot stress enough the importance of regular opportunities for your child to read. This can be any type of text, not always their reading book.

Please ensure that all reading done at home is recorded in the Reading Diary section of Showbie. This allows your child's teacher to see progress being made away from school.

When children need to change their reading book, it is their responsibility to bring it to the attention of the teacher and select a new book in the reading band they have been assessed at.

**iPads**

Children are very confident at using their iPads to assist in their learning and record their work. We do ask that iPads are charged overnight at home so that they are fully charged at the start of every day.

**Drop off and pick up**

A teaching assistant will greet your children at the gate at the back of the school at 8.45am. Our lovely TAs are happy to take messages from you at this point. At the end of the day (3.15pm) children will leave school via the same gate.