



St Paul's Newsletter – Year 3



Autumn 2 – November

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back! We hope that you have had an enjoyable break after what seemed like a long start to the school year!

Please find attached to this letter a Termly Overview, which breaks down the Topics for the second half of the Autumn Term in more detail.

Below, is some information about the routines for Year 3 this year.

Reading

Thank you to you all for the great comments that you are writing in your child's reading log – they are lovely to read, and it is very encouraging to see how much reading the children are doing at home.

Please remember that if your child is a Free Reader, then they are expected to be writing in their Reading Logs themselves each time they read some of their book. We only expect a comment / signature from you once a week (it can be more if you wish). If your child is reading Oxford Reading Tree books, then they need to be reading the books to an adult, who then needs to write a comment and sign their Reading Log.

The books will continue to be changed once a week – Wednesday for 3B and Thursday for 3C. We will keep the Book Bags in school overnight and return them the following day.

It is really important that your child brings their book bag on these days as we have a very compact timetable; there is very little time to change books other than on the designated day.

PE

P.E will be on a Monday for 3B (two lessons) and a Monday and Friday for 3C.

Children need to be dressed appropriately in a white T-shirt, black shorts and black plimsolls.

When the weather gets colder, and we go outside, children may wear a tracksuit, preferably a grey, dark blue or black one.

On PE days, please ensure that children with long hair have it tied back, and that earrings are removed as we are unable to do this in school.

Our school policy states that we are unable to allow children wearing earrings to participate in PE lessons for safety reasons.

Snacks for Playtime

Children are allowed to bring in a small healthy snack to eat at playtime. It must be in a named bag that can be thrown away. Please do not send anything that contains nuts, as we are a nut free school.

Water Bottles

Children may bring a water bottle in to school, please make sure it has their name on it as we often get two or more that are the same!

Birthdays and Invitations

Children may bring in a small packet of sweets for the class when it is their birthday. There must be one for each child in the class.

We are unable to hand out party invitations if there isn't one for the whole class. You are more than welcome to hand out the invitations in the playground.

Speaking to the class teacher

If you wish to speak to your child's teacher, you may chat to them briefly after school. If you feel that you need a little more time, then you must contact the school office and make an appointment.

Homework

Children will be given an English and a Maths Homework book. They will need to complete one page of each per week for their homework. At the front of the books there is a timetable showing which page is to be completed on which day.

Children will also be receiving weekly spellings.

These are to be learnt for a test. We will only be testing a selection of the words, not the whole list. Homework books will be sent home on a Friday, and are expected back on a Tuesday. Spelling Test will be carried out on a Thursday.

Collecting your child

If your child is going to be collected by someone else (a friend, relative or another child's parent), it is really useful if the school knows about this beforehand, either by sending a note to us, or if your circumstances change during the day, then contacting the school office – 020 8560 3297. If we know who the children are going home with, dismissing them at 3.30pm becomes a lot quicker and easier.