

# Year 3&4 Autumn term, 2025 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 3 and 4 pupils,

Welcome back everyone to another busy term at our super school. We have a few staff changes this September. Into Year 3 we welcome Mr. Knill (3K) and Mrs. Doling (3AD), with Mr. Marks (4M) joining Year 4.

Our expectations for school uniform remain high. So here is a reminder of some of the school's key expectations:

- **Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied back;**
- **No dyed hair;**
- **Stud earrings only please – no hoops or dangly ones;**
- **No necklaces, bracelets or other jewellery to be worn;**
- **Plain black school shoes only please – no boots or trainers with white or coloured trim / sole;**
- **Tattoos or nail varnish to be removed after the weekend or a party etc before coming to school;**

Children who fail to meet these standards more than once will miss their next 'Golden Time'.

**PLEASE NOTE: P.E. Kit Update:** On your child's designated P.E. days, they will be expected to come into school in the correct [new style] P.E. kit rather than the normal school uniform. Here are the class days:

**3AD: Thursday & Friday, 3K: Monday & Tuesday, 3P: Tuesday & Thursday**

**All Year 4 classes: Tuesday & Wednesday**

Please bear the weather forecast in mind when sending your child in. E.g. if it is cold, make sure they have long jogging bottoms and a fleece to wear outdoors.

Many thanks for your co-operation,

Mr. M. Booth (Phase Leader) Mr. J. Knill, Mrs. D. Doling, Mrs T. Ahmet, Mr. D. Agate, Mr K. Palmer (teachers)

Miss J. Curtis-Todd, Miss E. Pidgeon, Ms. J. Durrant, Mrs. N. Subramanian (Teaching Assistants),

## **Key Dates to Remember This Term**

9 & 10 September: Year 4 trips to Sutton Hoo (details of class splits in separate letter)

15 & 23 October: Parental Consultations.

6 November: Individual and sibling photographs

17 November & 5 December: Flu Vaccinations

4 December: Christmas dinner

11 December: Christmas performance @ 0930, St. Andrew's

12 December: Christmas performance @ 1400, St Andrew's

## **Homework / Online learning**

As recommended by the government, we expect adults to read with their child at least 4 or 5 times a week, if not daily. This can then be logged on **Boom Reader**. We no longer subscribe to **Accelerated Reader**.

To help with times tables, we highly recommend using **Times Tables Rock Stars** on a regular basis too. This is a vital part of your home-learning support because the Year 4s take the statutory times tables test in June.

## **Year 4 Learning This Term:**

**History:** Anglo-Saxons & Vikings

**Science:** sound and hearing, electricity

**Art:** drawing techniques

**D.T.:** Pneumatic powered vehicles

**R.E.:** Symbols and beliefs

**P.E.:** netball, dance, gymnastics, hockey, basketball

**R.S.H.E.:** Positive relationships, emotional well-being; personal safety

## **Our Year 3 themes this term will be:**

**History:** The Ancient Egyptians

**Geography:** Egypt

**Science:** Forces and Magnets, and Rocks and soils

**Art:** Painting, Sculpture and textiles

**D.T.:** Puppets and wooden frames

**R.E.:** Beliefs in Action in the World: The Environment

**P.E.:** Egyptian themed dance and either Hockey, Netball, basketball

**R.S.H.E.:** Positive relationships, emotional well-being