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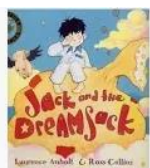
Dear Parents and Carers of Children in Year 3,

Welcome back! We hope you all had an excellent Summer Holiday with your family and friends. We have written this newsletter to give you further information on the expectations and routines in Year 3 this term.

In Year 3 this year, Mrs Askew will be teaching on a Monday and Tuesday, and Mrs Kumeta will be teaching on a Wednesday to Friday. Throughout the week, Mrs Morgan will be supporting the class. We pride ourselves on having an **open-door policy**, so if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Similarly, if we are ever not available, please feel free to discuss any concerns with our teaching assistant, Mrs Morgan, as she will be more than happy to help.

We know we have only been back in school for a week, but we have been so impressed with how well your children have settled into their new class. It can be quite a step up for children when they move up to Key Stage 2, but the class have managed it so well. We have included a list of topics and a brief explanation for what we will be covering during each one in the table below.

This term in Year 3, we are learning:

Subject Area	Content	What we hope to find out and learn
English	Descriptive writing	 We will be using Stone Age Boy to write character and setting descriptions.
	Narrative writing	 We will be using Jack and the Dreamjack to write fantasy stories.
Maths	Place value	We will look at numbers to 1000; 1, 10 or 100 more/less than a given number and ordering numbers.
Science	Movement and Nutrition	We will be looking at the functions of skeletons. We will be finding out about different bones and muscles in our bodies. We will discuss the nutritional needs of animals, including humans.
Geography & History	The Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age	We will be finding out about how people lived in The Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age. We will link this to the changing UK land use.

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ICT	Computing Systems and Networks	We will be learning what a network is and how servers work.
Art & Design	Cave paintings	We will be using different media to sketch. We will be looking at colour mixing.
Design & Technology	Mechanical Systems	We will explore how pneumatic systems work, before designing and making a pneumatic toy.
Music	Songs from around the world	Learning to sing and performing cup rhythms to 'I've been to Harlem', a traditional song from Virginia, USA. Learning to sing 'Migulay Boat song', before writing our own school folk song.
PSHE	Family and relationships	We will be discussing relationships within families and friendships. We will also discuss stereotypes we might have.
RE	Christianity	We will be looking at the Christian creation story.
PE	Invasion games	Working on agility, balance and coordination.

HOMEWORK IN YEAR 3

Reading

All children at Uffculme Primary School are expected to read at least **3 times a week** at home. In Year 3, we expect this to be for around 15 minutes each time. Please ensure your child does this and please sign their Reading Record Book to show that they have been heard. Books will be checked once a week, when dojo points will be given to those who have read at least three times in a week.

Spelling

In Year 3, children will have a daily spelling session in school. Homework will be set once a week on a Monday. This will be sent home in their homework book. The children will have one week to complete homework. Dojo points will be awarded to those who complete homework on time.

Maths

Maths homework will be set weekly on Times Table Rockstars (TT Rockstars). This will be set on a Thursday, and again children will have one week to complete the homework, with dojo points being awarded.

Water bottles and snack

Please can you send a water bottle into school every day for your child. It is really important that they have access to water throughout the day and a bottle in the classroom ensures that water is readily available (no squash or juice please). Please label the bottle with your child's name.

For break time, your child can bring in a piece of fruit or veg from home.

PE

PE lessons will be taken by Mr Carpanini and will be on a Monday and Wednesday. Children will need to have their PE kit in school on these days. A reminder that your child needs: black shorts, red polo-shirt and daps. When the weather is colder, they may need black tracksuit bottoms. Please ensure that all PE kit is clearly labelled and carried in a named bag. For health and safety reasons, jewellery must be removed for P.E; this includes earrings.



Thank you for your help and support over the term ahead. It really promises to be a wonderful year where your child will grow in confidence and independence.

With very best wishes,

Mrs R Askew and Mrs A Kumeta

Year 3 Teachers

Dates for your diary:

SEPTEMBER		
Tuesday 5 th		Children to start (apart from Reception children)
Tues 5 th - Thurs 7 th		Home visits to new children
Fri 8 th		Part time attendance for EYFS children to start
Friday 15 th		First full day for Reception children
Tuesday 26 th		Open Classrooms
Friday 29 th		Non-Pupil Inset Day
OCTOBER		
Wednesday 4 th	2:00pm	Harvest Festival (Church) - Food donations to CHAT
Wednesday 18 th	3:40pm	Parent Consultation Evenings (incl. SENDCO meetings)
Thursday 19 th	3:40pm	Parent Consultation Evenings
Monday 30 th	All day	Non-Pupil Day Trust-Wide Day

