



St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy



Headteacher: Mr A Gallagher

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Dear Year 3 Parents,

We hope you had a lovely summer holiday and would like to welcome you into year 3. I thought I would take this opportunity to share some information with you.

Adults – There will be 3 adults working alongside me in year 3 they are; Mrs Johnson, Mrs Rudkin and Mrs Jawad. Mrs Johnson and Mrs Jawad will cover teaching sessions when I am not in the classroom.

Reading books – Reading books will be changed twice a week on a Monday and Thursday when your child will receive new 2 books. Please make sure you have signed their reading record, as their book will not be changed without a signature from an adult. Your child will bring home books from within their current book band. We will assess all the children's reading levels in the first few weeks so their colour band may change. They will also have access to the library during their lunchtime so may bring home further books that they have chosen. Please feel free to write any book your child is reading into their reading record.

P.E – Year 3 PE days for **this half term** are Tuesday and Wednesday. Your child needs to come into school in their PE kit on those days. Please ensure their PE kit is appropriate for the weather as we will be going outside where ever possible (a thin raincoat might be useful for light rain). PE will be cancelled if the weather makes teaching PE outside dangerous e.g. heavy rain. On Wednesday, PE will be taught by our PE coach Chris Gowan who will coach them in a variety of sports. They will also complete the active mile. After half term, year 3 will have the opportunity to go swimming. Details regarding this will be sent nearer the time.

Warm Weather Kit – Blue/black shorts, white T-shirt and trainers.

Cold Weather Kit – Tracksuit (blue), white T-shirt and trainers.

Spellings - Your child will continue to follow the RML spelling programme to teach spelling rules. They will have a Spelling Log Book, which they will bring home with spellings in that they find difficult or have not spelt correctly relating to the current spelling rule. There will also be weekly spellings to learn that match this spelling rule or they may be Common Exception Words so keep your eyes out for these.

Times tables – Please continue to use 'Times Tables Rockstars' to practise time tables. This is an online programme which your child can access at home. Please look out for their log in details which will sent home shortly. The times tables for year 3 are x3, x4, x6 and x8 but don't forget to consolidate the x2, x5 and x10.

Home/school link books – Home/School Links books will not be used, however, if you need to contact us please email the office who will forward it or contact us at year3@stjohnfisher-wigston.leics.sch.uk or via



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ClassDojo and we will endeavour to reply the same day or the following working day. This email address will be checked between 8:30am and 4pm.

Water bottles and break time snacks – Water bottles, filled with **water only**, may be brought to school to use during the day. A piece of fruit is no longer provided for every child from year 3 upwards therefore your child will need to bring their own snack. Any fruit or two Rich Tea or Digestives biscuits can be brought for a snack at playtime. (No crisps, sweets, chocolate, other biscuits or ‘Healthy’ bars).

School Dinners – From year 3 upwards, school dinners are charged at £2.35 per day and they will eat in the classroom alongside the rest of their class.

Recorders – The whole class will be taught by Mrs Birchall to play the recorder. They will need their own recorder and ‘Recorder from the Beginning Book 1’ by John Pitts. This book is easily accessible online. Recorder lessons will take place every Thursday so please ensure your child has their recorder and book in school on that day.

Golden Time – Takes place every Friday afternoon. Children start the week on 3 or 4 Golden Points and will have to take responsibility for their behaviour to earn the other required points before Friday’s Golden Time. You will be informed if your child has been in detention for 2 consecutive weeks.

End of day collection – Your child will be led out to the KS1 playground by the adult teaching them in the afternoon (Mrs Moloney or Mrs Johnson). They will let the adult know if their parent is there and will be allowed to leave. Also, continue to let us know if someone different is collecting your child. If you are going to be late please inform the office and your child will be supervised inside the building so come to the reception to collect them.

Finally, please ensure that all your child’s clothing/belongings are **clearly named**, as we don’t want lost belongings and we have lots of un-named items at the end of each year.

We are looking forward to working with you and your child and hope for a successful year.

Many Thanks,

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