



THERE'S NO FULL STOP TO LEARNING

YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN TERM 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a great summer. I am delighted to be teaching Year 3 this year. This year the children will be supported in class by our teaching assistant **Natasha Harriott**, and Miss Manning, Miss Hall and Miss Ouazene will also be working with small groups once a week. Having taught the class Spanish last year I know they are full of enthusiasm and keen to learn, and am looking to use that enthusiasm in class.

This term our **topic** is the **Windrush**. We will be looking at why people came to the UK after the war, and the differences between the Caribbean and the UK. **In Maths** we will be looking at place value and using the column method for addition and subtraction before going on to look at area and perimeter. Our **science** topic is **Animals including Humans**. In science we will be looking at nutrition and health, what our bodies are made of and how healthy eating affects how we grow.

Year 3 children will be set a **homework project** related to their topic every half term. More details can be found on the attached sheet. There will also be **weekly spellings** to learn. Spellings will go home on a **Monday** beginning **September 10th**. Children will also have the option to complete literacy and maths work at home in their **reading journals** and **maths journals**. These are in the process of being readied and should be able to be sent home from next week.

Please make sure your child reads regularly. Ask your child questions to check their understanding of what they have read, see if they can make predictions about the story and understand character motives and feelings. Feel free to communicate with both me and the children in their reading journals; they are there to inspire dialogue about reading. If you can, please also ensure your child has an **independent reading book** for them to use during their daily independent reading time.

PE is on **Mondays and Tuesdays**- please ensure your child has a fully **labelled** PE kit and brings it to school on these days as this is an invaluable lesson. We will be swimming at Brixton Rec on Tuesdays this half term- please feel free to help out! We will also be running a daily mile from Monday 10th. Please make sure your child has trainers every day!

Some dates for your diaries:

Thursday 13th September- Parent's Coffee Morning

Thursday 18th October- Parent's Evening

If you have any questions, please come speak with me after school. I never leave!

Kind Regards,
Chris Marley and Natasha Harriott