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Year 3 Welcome Newsletter

Hello and welcome to Year 3! We are very excited to welcome you back and hope that you are all rested and ready to enjoy life back in St. Bernadette's.

Please use this letter to find out useful information for the start of the school year. We look forward to working with you and If you do have any concerns, please don't hesitate to come and talk to us.

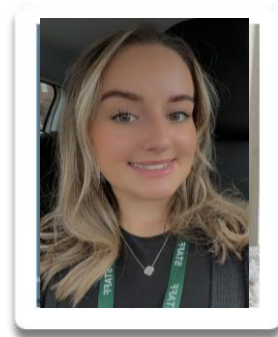
Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs Li



Mrs Armstrong



Mrs Li



Miss Winters

Staff

Mrs Armstrong and Mrs Li are your child's teachers. Mrs Armstrong teaches on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Li teaches on a Thursday and Friday. Miss Winters-Cole will be working alongside us to support our Year 3 family every day.

If you can't catch a member of staff at the beginning or end of school day, please do ring/email school or write on Class Dojo if there is anything you think we need to know. Staff will aim to respond to communication within 48 hours of receiving communications during core school hours (between 8.30am and 5pm).

Weekly Mass

On Tuesdays, different classes from our school attend the morning mass at our local parish church – St. Bernadette's. We will let you know when our Year 3 children will attend mass. You are always very welcome to join us so please come along.

Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning and we greatly value your support. Each week the children will receive spellings to learn. These will consist of some words with the same spelling pattern and also words that the children will need to know by the end of Year 3. Our spelling **tests will be completed on Fridays. Please bring in your spelling book on this day.**

A good knowledge of the times tables is a key skill that will support confidence in mathematical learning. Children will be given a set of times table facts to learn over the course of a week. These will be set on a Wednesday to be **tested the following Wednesday**. We will start with tables that are more familiar because the children are confident when counting in these steps. We will build rapid recall skills.

Reading

Reading should be completed at home as often as possible to build fluency and confidence. Please sign your child's homework diary each time you read with them. We will be sending home readers linked to our levelled banding system. We shall do a book/diary check and change to monitor reading throughout the week. The changing day will be recorded in your child's home reader. Regular focused reading comprehension lessons will be taught in class during the week.

Each **Wednesday** the children will be able to visit our new School Library to select a further book of their own choice to take home and read. Please make sure they return this book for exchange when they have completed it.



Equipment/Resources needed

Please remember to bring in your water bottle each day. They can be refilled during the day. Our **PE days are Tuesday and Thursday**, so the children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on those days. Our PE Kit is a green t-shirt with our school logo, plain black joggers/leggings/shorts and trainers with a plain black hoodie (no logo). Please label all clothing, coats and shoes. Children will be provided with their own pegs in our cloak rooms to store coats. Packed lunches are stored on a trolley in the corridor.

Lunches

If your child is opting for a school lunch, then please order these on the myevolvehub.com and if you have any questions about lunches/payments etc. then, please contact the school office.

Children are allowed to bring in a snack for break times but remember to choose a healthy option such as a piece of fruit or a rice cake.

Payments

We use a cashless system and use 'ParentPay' for all payments to the school. Please contact the school office with any questions you may have about ParentPay.

Attendance

It is very important to your child's education they attend school and arrive on time. If there are any problems, please inform the office as soon as possible. No holidays should be taken in term time.

Wigan Warriors Class Trip – Wednesday 14th October

We are visiting the DW Stadium on Wednesday 14th of October for the morning. This will follow on from our Wigan Rugby Workshop on Tuesday 22nd September and supports our Wigan Warriors history topic. We will be in touch with you soon with more information.

Important Dates for Year 3

Scooter Days – Wednesday and Thursday each week. Tuesday 29th Sept – Y3 go to Mass 9am

Thursday 1st October – Y3 Rugby Workshop in School.

Thursday 14th October – Wigan Warriors Trip – 9.30am -12pm

Friday 16th October TTRS Rock Stars Day

Thursday 22nd October - Parents evening 1:00pm

Friday 27th November Y3 Advent 1 Reflection

Friday 22nd May 2027 Y3 Pentecost Assembly