



St John's Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 3!

I have really enjoyed getting to know the class over the last few days, and they have been extremely helpful in helping me settle into school life at St John's. The children have demonstrated an impressive understanding of what successful learning looks like and what it means to be a 'Purple Learner'. They could put this to the test when trying out various construction challenges as well as tackling group art projects, which has been wonderful to see.

This term our topic is "Super Structures". We have lots of exciting learning planned – please see the attached topic grid for more information.

PE:

This term PE will take place on Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings. It is expected that some lessons will take place outside and so tracksuit trousers and sports trainers would be most suitable. For lessons inside children should have blue or black shorts and a plain white t-shirt. Earrings are not permitted to be worn during PE so should be taken out or covered with tape.

Class DoJo:

Linked to our focus on "Purple Learning", we will be using a website called 'Class Dojo' which enables staff to award points to children. They can earn points for hard work, good attitudes towards learning, helping others etc. I am in the process of setting this up for our class and will have more information for you shortly, so watch this space!

Healthy Snack:

If children begin to feel a little peckish prior to lunch time then they are more than welcome to bring in an extra healthy snack into their lunch boxes or pop a piece of fruit into their bags for break time.

Homework:

Homework expectations will gradually build during the year. Generally, it will take the shape of reading comprehension tasks, learning spellings and a variety of Maths activities. More information will make its way to you shortly in a separate letter.

Request:

Towards the end of the term, to compliment the story of Miss Happiness and Miss Flower we have begun reading in class, we will be designing and creating our own dolls houses. I would greatly appreciate any shoe box donations that will aid our constructions. Quite simply the more we receive the more extravagant our designs can be!



Parent Helpers:

I would gladly welcome offers of parent help, particularly during afternoons when parents could help with hearing children read. If you can give up any time, I would be very grateful. It doesn't have to be every week! Please come and find me or email the school office if you can help.

Parent Drop-In Session:

There will be an opportunity to meet me and ask any questions about life in Year 3 this coming Thursday afternoon, 13th September, from 3:00pm to 4:00pm in the Year 3 classroom. I very much look forward to meeting you then.

If you have any questions about your child's learning at any time, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can pop in to school at drop off or collection to arrange a convenient time to meet, or contact me via an email to the school office. (office.2567@st-johns.oxon.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely,

Miss Curley