



## Kidmore End CE Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 3! I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer break. It is lovely to welcome the children back to school. I am very much looking forward to working with them and getting to know them. Year 3 marks the start of Key Stage 2, where an extended curriculum provides new opportunities for learning, and expectations are high, with a greater emphasis on independence. We have an exciting year ahead of us!

Here is an outline of our curriculum up until the Christmas break.

<u>Maths</u> Number: Counting, ordering and estimating, recognising place value Addition and subtraction: Mental strategies and formal written methods Problem solving involving length and mass	<u>Literacy</u> Stories. Recounts. Information texts.
<u>Science</u> Animal nutrition and the skeletal system	<u>Computing</u> Internet safety. Word processing. Connecting computers.
<u>RE</u> What is it like to follow God? Is light a good symbol for celebration?	<u>History</u> Through the Ages (Stone Age to Iron Age)
<u>PE</u> Performance sport (hockey) Gymnastics	<u>Art &amp; DT</u> Contrast and complement Cave Paintings
<u>Music</u> Charanga: Let your spirit fly	<u>French</u> Greetings & introductions Counting to 10 Family

## Homework

Reading Ideally, your child should read every night, but at a minimum of 3 times per week, aloud to an adult. It is important that you continue to hear your child read aloud and spend some time talking with them about what they have read. Please use their Reading Record to make a note of their reading, and sign and date this. There is no need to write a long comment each time.

Spellings New spellings lists are given out on Tuesday, each week to be learnt for the following week. Each list will have a particular focus sound, or spelling rule. Your child should be able to tell you what this is! I will post the spelling list on Google Classroom for reference. Your child should complete the corresponding assignment on the Spelling Shed website, using their existing login details.

Times tables Daily practice of times tables facts is essential. Please note especially that the corresponding division facts for each table must also be learnt. The TT Rock Stars website is a useful resource regular for practice. Begin by refreshing recall of the 10s, 5s and two times tables. Our next focus times tables in class will be the 4s, then 8s. I will also set a weekly task on Mathletics.

Note: Login details for Mathletics, Spelling Shed and TT Rock Stars are identical and are the same as you used last year.

## PE

Our PE days are **Monday** and **Thursday** this term. On PE days, children should come to school already dressed in their PE kit and trainers. We will be outdoors on Thursdays so warm tracksuit bottoms and jumpers would be appropriate, as the weather gets colder; and indoors for gymnastics on Mondays.

*Coats:* Please send your child to school with a coat every day, as the children will be taken outside for playtimes even if it is wet.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me. If it is a quick question, it is probably best to catch me on the playground after school, or for non-urgent enquiries my school email is [jsalt@kidmore-end.co.uk](mailto:jsalt@kidmore-end.co.uk). Alternatively, as explained in the school's communication policy, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment to meet with me.

I look forward to working with you all.

With best wishes,

Mrs Salt  
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