

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome your child back into school and to have a classroom full of happy faces after a long 6 months away! I have been really impressed with their positive attitudes and their appetite for learning. They seem to be having a lot of fun in KS2 already!

There are lots of new routines in school which I have introduced and explained this week. All the children are adapting well to these changes and understand the reasons behind them.

Reading Books - Next week we will be spending time reading with your child as part of our assessments. Reading books will then be sent out with information about how the home-school reading system will work this term.

Mathletics - I will set tasks for your child to complete each week. These will be set on a **Friday** and will reflect our current learning in school. 'Mathlete of the Week' will be announced in our classes.

Spellings - These will start this week ensuring spellings that provide a good level of challenge for your child. Thank you in advance for supporting your child in learning their spellings each week.

Times Tables Rock Stars - Your child should have completed their *GIG* test. In order for your child to progress onto the next timetable they need to be answering questions in 2 seconds. Let's try and beat neighbouring schools on their speed!

Homework - Your child will be set a literacy and maths task every week to complete at home. These activities will draw upon your child's learning in school and help to develop and consolidate their understanding.

Swimming - There will be no swimming until Leeds City Council provide further details and guidance.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on year3@bardseyprimary.org.uk

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AUTUMN TERM CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

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YEAR 3
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Maths

Units to be covered include:

- Number: Place Value
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

Year 3 worked incredibly hard last year on their 2, 5 and 10. The hard work they put in had a huge impact on their reasoning and problem solving skills whilst teaching multiplication and division. Well done! Please continue practising your times tables at home. In year 3 we will be focusing on 3, 4 and 8.

Mathletics logins are in the back of their planners.

Design and Technology

The Great Bake Off - Year 3 will gain an insight into the history of bread production, then investigate and evaluate existing bread products.

They will create design criteria which will be referred to when designing, making and evaluating their own bread product. Children use a range of skills and techniques using simple kitchen tools and measuring equipment, they will learn how to knead dough correctly and the technique of proving bread.

Computing

During computing children will be taught coding, online safety, spreadsheets and touch typing. Please find your child's login for Purple Mash in the back of their planners. They can access this programme online at home. These lessons are also being adapted by Purple Mash to be 'Unplugged' so most of our lessons can be still in the classroom.

Literacy

During this term we will be focusing on our class novel

1. The Battle of Bubble and Squeak

This year we will be continuing to include in our writing what we have learnt in year 2 as well as including the following in our writing: inverted commas, subordinate clauses, prepositions, homophones, prefixes and suffixes, paragraphs, use of different tenses and expanding on our vocabulary.

PSHE

Well-being will be a focus throughout the term to ensure the children have a smooth transition back into school and then we will focus on Tobacco is a drug and Bullying - See it, Say it, Stop it.

Let There Be Light and Amazing Authors

Phonics

We will be focusing on Phase 6 in phonics to catch up on any lost learning from last year.

Science

They will learn about different sources of light, and that we need light to see. The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to investigate reflective materials, in the context of designing a new book bag. They will learn that the sun's light can be dangerous, and will create an advert for a pair of sunglasses or a sun hat that they have designed. The children will have chance to test which objects are opaque in an exciting investigation to design the most effective curtains, and will find out how shadows change when the distance between the object and light source changes. They will develop their scientific enquiry skills, making observations, predictions and conclusions. We will also be researching famous scientists and inventors later in the term.

Music

We will be following the Charanga music scheme which has been adapted for COVID safety. Our first unit is called Let Your Spirit Fly.

Art

Year 3 will learn how to use pencil, colour, paint, clay peppers and textiles to create quality artwork that shows progression in their skills. The children will also have the opportunity to explore the work of the designer Carl Warner, textile artist, Michael Brennand-Wood and Italian painter, Caravaggio. They will also see works by Matisse and by Cezanne.

Physical Education

PE days are on Thursday and Friday

Our four PE topics are:

Autumn 1: Fundamentals and Athletics

Autumn 2: Netball and Rounders.

We will be using The Get Set for PE Scheme to support delivery of these areas.

Please remember every PE lesson will take place outside so make sure your child dresses appropriately on your child's allocated PE days.