

Hello and welcome to your first term in Year Three,

I hope that you enjoyed the summer break and are well rested and ready for your first term in Year 3! We have lots of exciting things planned for this term and I am certainly excited to welcome you all to Key Stage 2. I know that many of you will be worried about the move but all of the adults in our class will be there to support you with the changes.

It is important to continue to read at home regularly to improve comprehension skills and fluency. We ask that you read at least twice a week with your adults, and that your reading record is signed by the adult. Reading books should be changed once a week, and whilst we will remind you to do this, you will be able to do this readily just outside the classroom. Please continue to practise your times tables, specifically recapping the 2s, 5s and 10s to begin with, ensuring that these are known in and out of order.

Adults: We are fortunate to have Mrs Hodgson with us all day every day and Miss Gibson each morning! Mrs Deakin will cover for some afternoon sessions during the week as well.

PE- Remember to have your PE kits in school every day please! These can be taken home on a Friday to be cleaned and during the holidays.

Homework - Homework will be given out on a Friday and should be handed in on a Wednesday.

If we have missed anything and you have any further questions, please feel free to email year3@elton.cheshire.sch.uk or to speak to an adult at the end of the day.

Mrs Higginson



Water, water everywhere...

Year 3 Learning Leaflet

Autumn 2021

**Mrs Higginson, Mrs Hodgson,
Mrs Deakin and Miss Gibson**

In **maths** we will be building on your place value skills and will also begin to develop our knowledge of addition and subtraction. Within place value we will focus on working with number to 1000: comparing and ordering; and finding 1, 10 and 100 more or less. Once we have developed our knowledge of numbers to 1000, we will then begin to look at developing our formal written methods for adding and subtracting numbers to 1000. We will also continue to develop our times table knowledge throughout the term.

In **English** we will be riding the waves of 'seal Surfer' and shivering with 'Winter's Child' through our class texts. In our first term as Year 3, we will engage with a poetry unit and then will start to look at writing letters linked to our first text. We will develop our use of prepositions and paragraphs. We will also start to develop our use of speech, looking at inverted commas. As we enter the second half term, we will develop our use of vocabulary, looking specifically at describing winter settings. Within this unit, we will build up to writing a narrative looking specifically at our use of adverbs, speech, and vocabulary choices.

Our **topic** this term is 'Water, water everywhere'. Along with our 'water' based English texts, we will also learn about the water cycle and the coasts in the UK.

In **science** we will learn about animals and humans in our first topic. We will learn all about skeletons, muscles, and the nutrition that we need to be healthy.

In **R.E.** we will be learning about Hinduism. We will be finding out about how Hindus view God and about how Diwali is celebrated. Closer to Christmas, we will continue to develop our knowledge of Hinduism, specifically looking at different world views.

In **music** we will cover a unit called 'Let your spirit fly'. Within this unit we will look at developing our singing and making compositions. We will then look at getting the glockenspiels out and making our own music.

In **P.E** we will be covering games: tag rugby and football. We will continue to work with Danielle but this year she will cover two PE sessions a week.

In **Art** we will learn about woodblock printing, painting, and colour mixing. In **DT** we will be creating snow scene dioramas.

This will be our first term studying **French**, so we will begin by learning greetings and will then develop number knowledge and colours.

In **computing** we will be looking at developing our e-safety knowledge for the first half term. Before Christmas we will start a unit called 'My Hero', where we will look at developing a digital eBook, specifically looking at presentation skills.