

# Year 3 Newsletter

## Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

We have a busy but exciting term ahead of us. This newsletter should hopefully cover any questions you may have, however, if you should have any further questions then please feel free to e-mail or speak to me in person or any member of the year 3/4 team. We are always happy to help.

## Our learning this term

This term we will be learning about Prehistoric times, the early cavemen and how civilisation developed through the Stone Age, Bronze Age and the Iron Age. In geography we will learn about how settlements in Britain were formed, coasts and the water cycle. We will also develop our map reading skills by looking at compass points & grid references.

In science we will look at different rocks and how they were formed, fossils and the different parts of plants.

Look at our Medium Term Plan to find out more about the exciting learning planned for this term.

At Stanford we take great pleasure in showcasing our learning on our class blogs and Facebook page.

Remember to check these out and see the wonderful learning that is taking place.



## Home Learning

Our home learning will be split into 2 categories: weekly essentials and enrichment ideas.

### Weekly Essentials:

**Reading:** Please continue to support your child's home reading. We ask that they read for a minimum of 3 times a week which should be logged in their reading record. The children will also need to complete a written reading response which they can choose from the list of ideas provided.

**Spelling challenge:** Spellings should be practised on Spelling Shed. These will be tested on a Friday.

### Enrichment Ideas:

Please choose at least 6 activities over the whole of the Spring term ending at Easter.

## General Reminders

- **PE:** Our main PE lessons will be on Tuesday. We try to do as many lessons outside as possible so it is important that the children have both inside **and outside** PE kits including suitable footwear and warm clothing. Please ensure that children with long hair have it tied back and earrings are removed.
- **Uniform:** Can you please make sure uniform & PE kits are clearly labelled to avoid confusion when children misplace some of their belongings.
- **Coats:** As the weather is changeable and we like to use our outdoor learning environment, please ensure that your child has a suitable coat with them regardless of the weather conditions.
- **Water bottles:** The children should bring in a water bottle from home with a sports style cap which they can access throughout the day. They will be encouraged to change their water regularly and may be taken home each evening to be washed. Please make sure your child's name is written clearly on their water bottle.
- **Rucksacks:** Your child should only need to bring their packed lunch, a water bottle and their reading book if they wish to change it. PE kits can be stored at school throughout the term. As children should not be bringing non-essential items in from home and there is limited storage available, rucksacks should not be brought into school we only have limited space.

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## Look out for...

- Hook Day - 14.01.25 Prehistoric (Costumes optional)
- Reading Breakfast- 11.03.25

Thank you for your continued support,  
Miss Purshouse and the year 3/4 support team.

Here are some simple ideas for costumes....hope this helps.

