

Davington Primary School

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Dear Parents

Miss Morgan and Miss Jenkins welcome you and your children to Year 3. Together with the support of Mrs Sprawson and Mrs Barker, we are looking forward to a successful year, full of hard work and smiles!

Topics for the Year

Terms I and 2: The Stone Age and The Bronze Age, rocks and settlements.

Terms 3 and 4: Iron Age, Mountains and Roman Culture.

Terms 5 and 6: The Romans' rise to and fall from power and a study of Italy.

PE

Your child will have an outdoor Games lesson and a PE/Hall session each week this term. The sessions will be as follows:

Outdoor games: Monday afternoon

Indoor games: Friday morning

Please ensure your child's PE kit is in a suitable bag and that each item is labelled clearly with their full name and class. Please remember that our school games kit is a plain white t-shirt with blue shorts for indoor PE and long blue joggers and warm top for outdoor Games. Your child will also need a pair of trainers for outside Games sessions.

Volunteer Readers

Reading is such an important aspect of learning and we would really value your support in this. If you are able to give up even just an hour of your week whenever is convenient for you to come and read with our children we would be incredibly grateful and hopefully you would enjoy the experience too! This could even be simply coming into school at 2:15 instead of 3:15 and reading with children for that hour. Please come and see us if you are interested!

Water

It is important that children drink plenty of water throughout the day. In order to do this, children need a named water bottle that they can use during the day. These can be bought in the school office. Please ensure your child brings water not squash.



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Homework

Reading

We ask the children to bring their reading book and reading record to school each day. All children need to read for 10 minutes every day with an adult. You can support your child further in their reading by asking them questions about their book e.g. 'What do you think will happen next?' If you need any help moving your child on with their reading, please come and see us so we can offer support.

Spelling

All children will receive spellings to learn on a Wednesday. These will be linked to our spelling work in class and written in the children's spelling log book or on a spelling sheet. There will be continuous informal assessments of these spellings. Little and often is the best way to approach learning new spellings. Five to ten minutes every night works better than trying to learn them in one go.

Homework books

As in year 2, children will be asked to complete a weekly task in their homework book. We try to link these tasks to the work we have done in class and will set activities that allow you to work with your child. Please let your child take the lead in this. We would like the end product to be your child's work so we can celebrate what they have achieved. Feel free to record in the book however your child wishes (photos, pictures, writing etc)

Trips

To reinforce and inspire your children's learning this year we have organised a variety of educational experiences which we will let you know about in advance with a trip in term 3 or 4.

Break Time Snacks

Key Stage Two children can bring in 20p for a Fruit token from our Fruit Café. Fruit tokens can be bought on the school gate each morning. Alternatively, children can bring their own fruit which can be kept in class until break time. Please refer to the Parent Handbook for advice on snacks for the children as we promote healthy eating within our school.

If you have any questions, concerns or good news to share about your child, please feel welcome to see us before school or on the playground.

Yours sincerely