

Dear Parent/carer

I hope you have had a relaxing summer and I am sure you are now ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Year 3.

I am looking forward to the year ahead working together and hope to have a very enjoyable and successful year. I hope that you enjoy the new challenges that your child will face in their new class.

This term we will be studying Number in maths, the focus books for Power of Reading are: Ug Boy Genius of the Stone Age and Into the Forest. In science the children will be learning about Light and Forces and Magnets. RE, Geography and History will be taught by Miss Greer.

A full PE kit needs to be brought into school every Thursday. The PE kit consists of black or navy shorts and the child's team colour T-shirt. **(No football shirts allowed.)** In the case of a child forgetting their PE kit, they will lose 5 minutes of their golden time. If your child requires an inhaler, please make sure there is a named one in school at all times. Class 3 will be going swimming this term on Thursday mornings so they must bring their swimming kit including a towel.

Year 3 spellings and tables will be given out on a Friday for you to work on with your child at home. A test will be given the following Friday. Spellings and tables can be found at the back of your child's/children's reading journal.

Homework (linked to either Maths or English such as times tables or grammar practise) will be given out every Friday and must be completed and brought back in to school by Wednesday. I would also ask for your continued support with our Strive for Five target, where your child should read aloud to an adult five times or more every week. Children will be questioned on the content of their weekly reading to ensure they comprehend what they read. All of this information will be found inside your child's new reading journal

Punctuality is very important at Derwent Vale. The children must be lined up at 8.45am ready to begin the school day.

I have high expectations, both in and out of the classroom, regarding behaviour. Inappropriate behaviour will be dealt with accordingly.

Lastly, please ensure that your child's name is on all school clothing.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards
Mrs White