

Welcome to Year 3



Working together to support
your child

The Year 3 team

Class teachers:

Mr Murat

(Monday and Tuesday)

Mrs Jackson-Robbins

(Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday)

Teaching Assistant:

Miss Webb

Transition from Year 2

- ▶ It is a big jump from Year 2 to Year 3, however we will try to make it as smooth as possible for everyone.
- ▶ No free fruit - your child is welcome to bring in a fruit/veg snack. Nothing with nuts please.
- ▶ Less Golden Time on Friday and no afternoon play
- ▶ More responsibilities
- ▶ Still lots of fun 😊

Expectations

- ▶ **HIGH** expectations
- ▶ Children are expected to work as hard as they can to reach their individual targets.
- ▶ We will be encouraging a growth mindset throughout all we do.
- ▶ Aim to support the children in developing their independence skills.
- ▶ Children to show that they can be happy, kind and supportive members of the class.

The School Day

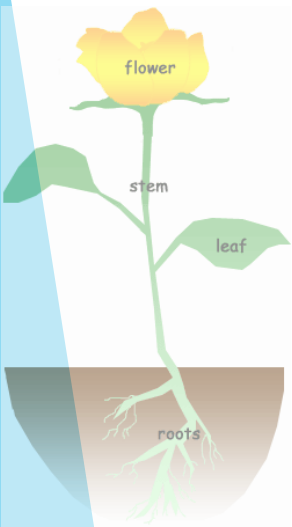
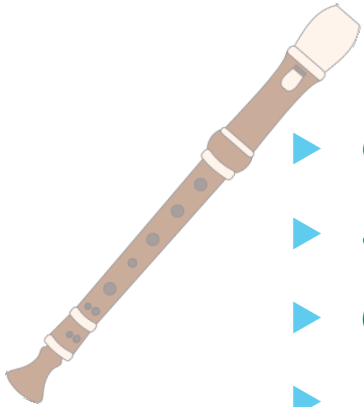
- ❖ Registration is **8:40 – 8:45**. Gates and doors will shut promptly, so please make sure your child is on time. We start work at 8.45, so it is important children are in class and settled by this time.
- ❖ Children will enter and leave from the outside classroom door.
- ❖ Your child's safety is our priority. Please let us know if your child is going home with someone other than a parent/carer, as we will not be allowed to release them without this information.
- ❖ All children need a **water bottle** which will go home at the end of each day.
- ❖ Your child will be provided with the school resources they need. They do not need to bring stationery from home.

Topics this year include

Ancient Greece



- ▶ **Computing** - 6 Purple Mash units over the year (Programming, Email, Coding etc.)
- ▶ **Science** - Plants, Animals & Human Nutrition, Rocks and Soils, Forces and Light.
- ▶ **Geography** - St. Albans, The UK and Earthquakes and Volcanoes.
- ▶ **History** - Stone Age to Iron Age and Ancient Greeks.
- ▶ **DT** - Model making, a cooking project and a textile project.
- ▶ **Music** - Charanga Scheme of work and Recorder lessons (more details coming soon).
- ▶ **French** - The conversational basics to start then moving onto simple vocabulary.
- ▶ **R.E** - Christianity and Islam
- ▶ **Art** - Plants, Vincent Van Gogh and Buildings
- ▶ **PE** - Dance, Football, Tennis, Basketball, Fitness, Gymnastics, Swimming, Rounders, Athletics



English



There will be a big focus on handwriting this term and Pen licences will be awarded gradually throughout the year.

Guided reading sessions take place every day :

- ▶ Wednesday - Friday is Whole Class Guide Reading.
- ▶ Monday and Tuesday is Small Group Reading with an adult . **Home Reading diaries will be checked and written in in these sessions .**

Spellings will be sent home every **Friday** which children will be tested on the following **Friday** morning.

- ▶ Differentiated spellings dependent on what children need.
- ▶ We will practise these spellings daily in the classroom.
- ▶ Your help with practising these at home is very much appreciated

This term our Library day is Tuesday.

Maths



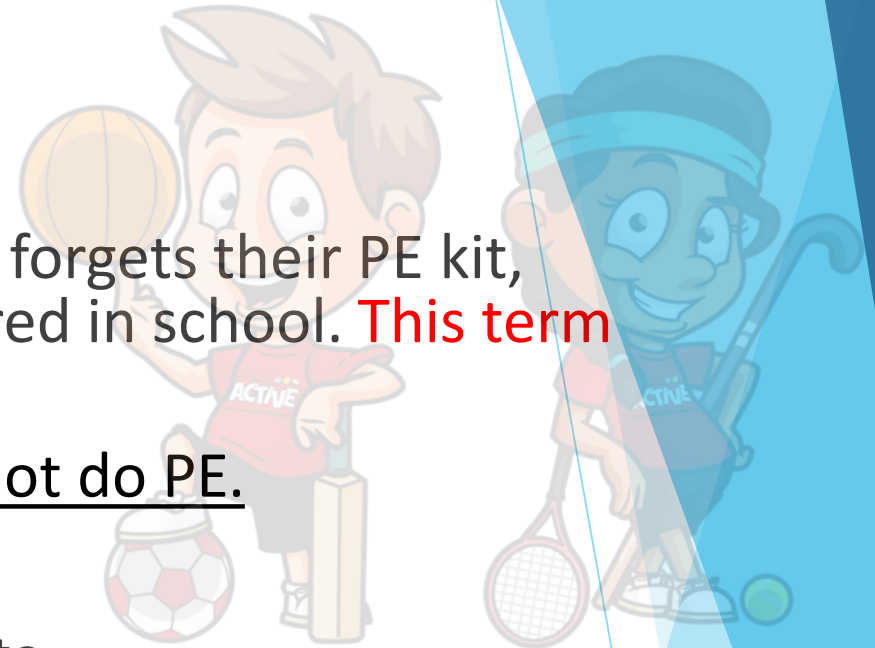
- ▶ Maths lessons each day
- ▶ No fixed ability groups - children will move around dependent on what they need.
- ▶ Math retrieval session daily and Early Morning Math folder every morning.
- ▶ Times tables are so important so please practice these at home. In Year 3 we will be focusing on 2s, 3s, 5s, and 10s. If they know more, great!

PE

- ❖ P.E is on **Mondays and Wednesdays**. If your child forgets their PE kit, they will complete the P.E lesson in spare kit stored in school. **This term they will change for PE at school.**
- ❖ Written notification is required if your child cannot do PE.
- ▶ Units covered this year include:

Dance, Gymnastics, Basketball, Football, Fitness etc

- ▶ A warm jumper and jogging bottoms are very useful during the winter – we will be outside!
- ▶ A plastic bag for the muddy shoes is helpful to have in School bag.
- ▶ Hair must be tied back!
- ▶ Any jewellery/ watches will have to be taken off.
- ▶ Daily: **THE RUN! 3 laps now.**



Home learning

Autumn Term:

- ▶ Daily Times Tables practice
- ▶ Daily Reading (20 minutes)
- ▶ Weekly Spellings



Note - The amount of homework Year 3 receive will increase as they progress through the year.

Please let us know if your child is finding anything difficult. Information about any additional homework tasks will be found on *Google Classroom*. Please contact us if you cannot access this.

Rewards, Rewards, Rewards !

- ▶ House Points
- ▶ Head Teacher Awards
- ▶ Golden time on Friday afternoons
- ▶ Hot Chocolate Friday
- ▶ Talk Tuesday



Things you can do at home

- Regular reading - variety of texts at home. Please write in the diaries.
- Spellings-Encouraging children to learn their spellings. Revisit previous words.
- Times tables-Use Rockstars.
- Practise telling the time.
- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep - not too late to bed!
- Tying their own shoe laces 😊

Parents consultations: Tuesday 18th October + Thursday 20th October

- ▶ Always check Monday messages for news about the week.
- ▶ If you have any queries or concerns please email the office.

admin@maple.herts.sch.uk

- ▶ **Please** let us know of any changes at home or other factors that may affect your child at school.

THANK
YOU!

