

Dear parents /carers,

A very big welcome to year 3, and to key stage 2, on behalf of all of the teaching and support staff.

We have endeavoured to create a curriculum that is exciting and engaging in order to motivate the children.

### **Meet the teacher meetings**

The Y3 meet the teacher meeting is planned for next **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023** straight after school in Willow class. We anticipate it will last 20 minutes and you are welcome to bring your children along. Please don't worry if you cannot make it. All of the information we will share is either included in this letter, on the curriculum overview or on individual subject collectables which will be sent to you. It is more of a chance for you to meet the teacher and introduce yourself.

### **PE**

Willow PE days are **Monday** and **Thursday**.

Holly PE days are **Tuesday** and **Friday**.

\*Please keep PE kit at home and send your child in their kit on their PE days, and no jewellery / watches\*

### **Reading**

Library books and reading records will be handed out as soon as possible so keep an eye out for these. We are continuing to use the scheme called 'Accelerated Reader' in our reading sessions this year. We ask for your support in ensuring the children read at home and change their library books at least weekly. Reading records are due in every Monday – please try to aim for **four reads a week minimum**. Once they have read their library book at home, they will then complete a short book quiz in school to check their understanding; it is important this is done as soon as possible after having read the book.

This year, we are also continuing to use 'Read, Write, Inc' to support those children who need additional phonics help and, if this applies to your child, then they will bring home a Read, Write, Inc book aligned with their level, which should be read four times before being returned.

### **Homework**

There will be no homework set this half term to enable your child to settle into the routine of Year 3. Therefore, please focus on reading 4 times a week.

After half term, the children will be given their homework books. This will be a pick n mix style homework focusing on activities related to our current topics and maths. Each week the homework is due on a Thursday.

### **Trips / visitors**

We are hoping to have a school trip to Kent's Cavern to support our learning on the Stone Age. We will send further information about this, including costing in a separate letter. Please look out for this.

### **Contact**

We are happy to support you as best as we can and should you have any queries or questions, we will be on the door each day.

Other ways to contact us is via the class email [holly@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:holly@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk) or [willow@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:willow@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk). You can also contact the school office on [adminteam@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:adminteam@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk) with urgent matters or more general enquiries.

Warmest wishes.

Year 3 team.