

Dear parents /carers,

A big welcome to Y3! In this new 'normal' we find ourselves in, it is now more important than ever for us to work closely together. On behalf of the whole of the year 3 team I can say that we are really looking forward to getting to know your child and making sure that they achieve as much as possible during the course of the year.

The main points to help us begin the school year smoothly are summarised below:

PE

Birch PE days are Monday (cross country) and Thursday (gymnastics)

Rowan PE days are Tuesday (gymnastics) and Friday (cross country)

*a change this year in line with COVID guidelines is that your child can wear PE kit into school and be in it all day. Please keep PE kit at home and send your child in their kit on their PE days.

Reading

Library books and information about the curriculum will be handed out this week. If your child requires a colour coded reading book this will be handed out next week. From next week our library slots are Mondays (Birch) and Fridays (Rowan) so we ask that they are returned on this day (once they have finished). Although we currently aren't sending home reading diaries, children are still expected to read at least four times per week. This is hugely important in helping support our ethos of reading in the school. There will be an online reading diary using Google Classroom which we will advise you of very soon.

Homework

More information will follow later this month regarding homework; we hope to go electronic with this and use Google Classroom. The children will be set up with this in class and be given time to get used to this. Thank you for your patience with this.

Contact

In terms of contacting us, in the first instance contact rowan@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk or birch@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk. You can also contact the school office on adminteam@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk with more general enquiries. Remember we are also outside the classroom at the beginning and end of each day most of the time. **It is important to note that we cannot discuss incidents related to other children via email.**

Again, we are looking forward to the year ahead ☺

Mr Tullier, Miss Pritchard and the year 3 team.