

31st August 2016

Dear Parents

Welcome to Park House English School

We would like to welcome you and your child to Year 3.

All children in Key Stage 2 are required to bring their own equipment to school. Can you please ensure your child has their own pencil, rubber, ruler, glue stick and coloured pencils/pens preferably in a pencil case. They should also have a Park House School bag, book bag and P.E. bag. All bags and items of uniform must be marked clearly with the child's name and class. A hat is an essential part of the school uniform.

Children should have the following:

- Writing pencils and coloured pencils
- Eraser and a sharpener
- 30cm ruler
- Scissors and a glue stick
- Recorder

Please do not enter the school building to drop-off or pick-up your child as it is important they develop their independence.

Reading

Reading is the key to learning. Children are expected to read every evening. They should read the school colour-coded reading book, and these will be changed on a Sunday and Wednesday. The children also have a Library book, which they can change whenever they want. They should read for pleasure and to acquire information.

Other Homework

Homework will be given to your child each evening and consolidates the work during lessons. We will expect it to be completed and handed in the next day. This is part of our training programme, so please support us by checking that the given task is done. Each child has a homework diary to record what is to be done. Homework diaries should be signed once a week.

English

The children will be working from the new Cambridge Primary English Curriculum Framework. The programme covers spelling strategies, vocabulary extension, punctuation, comprehension and extended writing. The Nelson Spelling course provides differentiated activities which allow children to progress through key spelling patterns at their own pace. Time will also be set aside for group reading and handwriting.

Mathematics

- Term 1** Number and Problem Solving, Geometry and Problem Solving, Measure and Problem Solving – this includes Money and Time.
- Term 2** Number and Problem Solving, Measure and Problem Solving - this includes Time, Handling Data and Problem Solving.
- Term 3** Numbers including Fractions and Problem Solving, Geometry and Problem Solving, Measure and Problem Solving – this includes Time and Money

Science

- Term 1** Teeth and Eating **Term 2** Light and Shadow **Term 3** Materials

IPC

- Term 1** Treasure **Term 2** Chocolate **Term 3** Gateways to the World

Information Technology

Work will be completed at an appropriate level on the following:

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| General technological awareness | Key boarding |
| Paint, draw and graphics | Word-Processing |
| Multi media | CD-ROM |
| Control (Logo) | Spreadsheets (Excel) |

Art

This work will be linked to topics. The children will also practice observational drawings and experiment with a variety of materials.

P.E.

The children will continue to develop and improve their skills in a range of physical education activities. In swimming they will work to improve their technique, fitness levels and water confidence.

We are here to educate your child to the best of our ability. The best progress is made when there is a 3-way partnership (teacher-parent-child) and we shall endeavour to maintain this relationship.

We hope your child will have a happy, progressive year in Park House.

We thank you for your co-operation.

PARK HOUSE ENGLISH SCHOOL



Mr Brian Allen
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