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Year 3 Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all. We hope you had a good Christmas break and thank you for the thoughtful Christmas cards and gifts.

The children are settling back into school well, and we are enjoying starting some new topics. This term, in addition to our English and Maths lessons, our main areas of study will be:

- Forces (Science)
- Prehistoric Art (Art)
- Dreams and Goals (PSHE)
- What is the secret of the standing stones? (Bronze Age History)
- Jesus' Miracles (RE)
- Hockey and Athletics (PE)
- Composing using your imagination (Music)
- Desktop publishing (Computing)
- Les animaux (French)

PE will be on Monday (outside) and Friday (inside) every week for the first half of the Spring term. On these days, please ensure your child is wearing the following:

- Blue t-shirt (with Westfield logo)
- Plain navy or black shorts / joggers
- Blue jumper (Westfield hoodie, Westfield school jumper or cardigan)
- Trainers (no lights)

There should not be any other coloured items being worn. Please also ensure that your child is not wearing any branded items with large logo's on them. Thank you.

After half-term, we will have Forest School sessions every Thursday, starting on 29th February 2024. On Thursdays children will need to come **IN TO SCHOOL** wearing their Forest school clothes and trainers. Please can they also bring suitable boots inside a NAMED plastic bag so they can change into these at the start of their session. Their Forest school clothes should be trousers and long-sleeved top with a warm hoodie/jumper as they will be going out in all weathers.

As ever, please support your child by reading with them every day, talking about what they have read and recording it in their reading record (date, child summary and adult initial/signature). Children take responsibility for changing their own books, and we provide opportunities for them to do this several times a week, but if the same books keep coming home then please remind them too! Please also help children with their times tables (3's and 4's) and facts about durations of time to help with their fluency. Children will again be working towards their Maths Wizards certificates so this will support them with that. Weekly spellings will continue as before.



Finally, if you would like to speak to us about anything to do with your child, please send an email to the office, or approach us at the end of the school day.

Kind regards,

The Year 3 Team

Mrs Freemantle, Miss Grace and Mrs Young

Key Dates for your diary:

Spring Term Parent Update Meeting – Thursday 18th January 2:45pm
Open Learning Morning (Parents Welcome) – Friday 2nd February
Feel Good Week – 5th to 9th February
Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 6th February
Year 3 W1SPA Cake Sale – Friday 9th February
Parents Evening – Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th February
Home Learning Celebration in class – Friday 16th February
Half Term – Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February
Forest School Sessions Start – Thursday 29th February
World Book Day – Thursday 7th March
RockSteady Concert – Friday 15th March
Home Learning Celebration in class – Wednesday 27th March
End of Term – Thursday 28th March at 1:30pm