



Welcome to Class Three

Hi Class 3, We will be teaching you in September. We can't wait to get to know you. Mrs. Weldon will be teaching you for the first two weeks on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday then Mrs. Wallace will be teaching you for the rest of the school year.

I love Maths, Literacy and having fun, so there will be lots of that in Class 3. (Mrs. Matthews - Monday and Tuesday)

I love going for runs and enjoying the outdoors, so hopefully we can enjoy some outdoor learning together (Mrs. Wallace – Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)

Have a look at this presentation with your grown ups at home so you all know what to expect. Get in touch if you have any questions!

Getting ready for September – what to expect in your new class.



Topic taster

Next year we will be studying:

Science: Earth and Space; Forces; Animals: including humans - Skeleton and muscles; Electricity, and Forces and Magnets

Geography: Locational Knowledge: hemispheres, Tropics, Day and Night; Physical Geography: Skills and Fieldwork; Human Geography: Settlement and Land use.

History: Roman Empire; Local History: The Industrial Revolution

Year 3s: this year you will visit a Mosque and Hindu Temple

Year 4s: *this year you will be going on our residential to Castleton!*

We plan also to arrange other trips throughout the year.





Let's get reading

Next year we will have a class novel which we will read together most days. We will also be working in guided groups to develop key skills such as inference and prediction as well as regular one-to-one reading.

As you know, reading is so important as it secures our futures. It is important to be able to read a text and be able to understand the structure and the meaning. Think about how difficult it would be to read and understand an information text or set of instructions if we hadn't read one before.

We will be following on from your reading by asking you to complete comments in your reading record and listing the different books you read. We will monitor your progress through each book and checking you are completing texts by setting challenges when appropriate.

It is important that you read regularly at home too – it's not just for in school time.

These are Holbrook CE Primary reading expectations:

- All read and enjoy a story together (class novel)
- learn about reading in whole class sessions
- read in small groups to practice our skills and build fluency
- We read one to one to an adult: in KS2 to encourage independent reading and monitor choices



Homework

Homework is so important and is planned to support your learning in class. Homework gives you the opportunity to practise key skills that have been taught in school. It is also an opportunity for the whole family to enjoy activities and projects linked to topics.

The plan this year is that homework will be marked together in class to discuss any problems or misconceptions.

We believe that you should become increasingly independent with your homework as you move through each class.

Class 3	Read at least three times a week to an adult	A weekly spelling list will be sent home on a Tuesday for a test the following Monday	A Literacy activity which should take 15-20 minutes and	A Maths activity which should take 15-20 minutes	Occasional topic related homework or 'talk homework'
<p>Your Reading Record should be used to record what you are reading:</p> <p>You should write the book title, the date and page number.</p> <p>You should also write a short summary which may include details about a character or a prediction. eg:</p> <p><i>Sarah is a bossy character who I think will cause trouble.</i></p>				<p>Homework will be set on a Friday to be returned/completed by the following Thursday</p>	



Class Dojo

We are very excited to use Class Dojo to let you know what we have been up to in class and share our work with you.

If you have any problems setting it up we can help, just contact the office to let us know.

Class Dojo can be used to send the class teacher a message, however please remember:

- **You shouldn't share information of a sensitive nature in a Class Dojo message**
- **Be mindful of teacher's workload – please don't message in the evening and at the weekend and please be positive.**
- **Any problems or concerns should come through the office.**
- **Teachers may not respond the same day to messages so don't message with anything urgent – the school office email should be used for any important messages.**

What else do you need to know?



We can't wait to welcome you (or welcome you back) to Class Three!

In Class Three we usually have Maths and English in the morning then topic/science/art/ PE/ etc. in the afternoons.

How is having two teachers different?

Mrs Matthews will teach you on a Monday and Tuesday then Mrs Wallace will teach you on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Reward System

We use Class Dojos and you can use your dojos to earn rewards such as 'Golden Time'. Each day we will select a star of the day who will receive a certificate and a sticker.

Show and tell

If you'd like to share some exciting news/objects, just let one of us know and we will be happy for you to share it!

As you get older, it's important for you to start taking more responsibility for your learning. This includes; writing notes in your reading record each time you read, making sure your homework is handed in on time and looking after your belongings at school.