



Uniform, PE kits and water bottles: Full school uniform is expected every day at Olive Hill. School shirts must be tucked in and school shoes worn. Long hair should be tied back and no jewellery should be worn, with the exception of a watch or small stud earrings. P.E. kits should remain in school throughout each half term. Children will be doing P.E. outside and therefore will need an outdoor kit, school jumpers are not allowed to be worn. Children should have a water bottle in school. This must contain water and not juice.

Break time: In KS2, the children are required to bring in healthy snacks (fruit and vegetables) for their morning break. Please note that children will no longer have an afternoon break.

Home Learning: Home learning will be given out every Friday, which will alternate between writing and maths. It should be returned to school on the following Wednesday. Children are expected to complete their work in pencil and to a high standard. If their home learning is not in school, they will be expected to attend our home learning club or lose lunchtime/golden time to complete it. In addition, the children will be given a reading book, which we encourage them to read regularly to an adult.

Show and Tell: A timetable for our Show and Tell sessions will be sent home to enable you to prepare your child.

Dates for your diary:

Oak Class library visits- 19th September, 10th October, 7th November & 28th November

Birch Class library visits- 26th September, 17th October, 14th November and 5th December

Roald Dahl Day - Wednesday 13th September

Macmillan charity event- Friday 29th September



Invaders and Settlers



Year 3

Autumn Term



Welcome to year 3! This is the first year that your child will be part of key stage 2 and we are looking forward to taking them on the next part of their school journey. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential. We look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming year.

Year 3 team:

Mrs Walton (Birch Class Teacher & LKS2 Phase Leader)

Miss Richardson (Oak Class Teacher)

Miss Titmus (Class Teacher)

Mrs Stonehouse (Year 3 Teaching Assistant)

Miss Clarke (Year 3 & 4 Teaching Assistant)

Mr Holder (Assistant Headteacher)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries. The happiness of your child is very important to us all.

Our topic:

The theme for our autumn term topic is Invaders and Settlers. This aims to develop the children's understanding of how the Celts, Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings have used a range of battle techniques to invade Britain and the impact it had on the area. We do hope that you will encourage your child to research this topic at home as this will support them during their lessons.

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English: The children will experience writing in role from high quality texts such as, 'The Twits' and 'I'll take you to Mrs Cole'. This term there will be a focus on spelling, grammar and punctuation as well as developing presentation and handwriting.

Maths: Throughout this term we will be recapping on knowledge of 2, 5 and 10 times tables and progressing to 3 and 4 times tables. We do hope you will help your child practise these at home. The children will also be continuing to develop their number and place value knowledge and learning efficient written methods for the four operations, + - x and ÷.

Science: This term we will be working scientifically to find out about Rocks and Soils. We will look at types of rocks, how fossils are formed and will be investigating which soil is the most permeable.

History and Geography: Our Invaders and Settlers topic will cover the Celts, Romans, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. We will explore and compare their battle techniques to be able to justify who was the best invader. We will also look at how they have influenced modern society.

PE: During this term the children will be exploring and creating their own gymnastics routine in cooperating new skills and balances. The children will be learning and taking part in a competitive games such as dodge ball.

The Arts and Technology: The children will explore Celtic art and create their own artwork in this style. In Music, the children will compose and perform a piece to represent different stages of a battle scene using call and response.

RE: This term we will be learning about Jesus the Teacher through stories and parables and Servants of God, including influential figures such as; Mother Teresa and Martin Luther King.

French: As this is the first introduction to languages for many children, we will be learning to use basic classroom instructions, greetings, and the French alphabet.

Computing: The children will be learning the importance of internet safety throughout this term and will also be using the internet to research information.

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