



## Year 3 Learning Letter

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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### Settling into Year 3

Since our last Learning Letter, Year 3 have been getting right into the swing of life in the Juniors. We have been focussing on setting routines, listening carefully and following instructions quickly and effectively, which both classes have shown themselves to be very good at. As a result of this great attitude and hard work, the children have started to show us some of the fantastic work they are capable of. We have been impressed with the Maths skills being displayed and the organisation shown in our early pieces of writing. Well done Year 3 and keep it up!

#### The next two weeks:

- In **English**, we are learning about diary writing using *The Angel of Nitshill Road* by Anne Fine.
- In **Maths**, we are learning about addition and subtraction with 3 digit and 2 digit numbers.
- In **Science**, we are looking at magnetism.
- In **Topic**, continuing to explore Ancient Egypt.
- In **D.T.**, we will learn about pneumatics.
- In **Computing**, we will now apply our online safety skills whilst using the computers in school.
- In **French**, we are learning about 'Les Transports' with a dip into colours and numbers too.

#### Homework

The first homework for Year 3 was set yesterday, and is due in on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. The first set of Spellings also went home yesterday.

Next Thursday, (5<sup>th</sup> October) we will be setting a two week History homework, asking the children to research and make a poster about Ancient Egypt, alongside the weekly Spellings homework.

Thank you for your support with this!

#### Logins

As part of the developing responsibility and independence, Year 3 should be starting to memorise their school logins. These will work for the following sites to access additional learning from home:

**Purple Mash:**

<https://www.purplemash.com//sch/northdowns>

**Times Table Rock Stars:**

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

**Spellzone:** <https://www.spellzone.com/login/login.cfm>

#### Multiplication Tables

We have now started our weekly testing of the times tables. At the end of Year 4, all children take the national 'Multiplication Tables Check' which covers all the tables from 2s-12s. Our weekly tests help to develop children's knowledge and memory of the tables and we do really push the fact that knowing your tables means instant recall, not working each answer out each time. TT Rockstars is a really good way to make practising these fun and all children can log on using their school login details.

#### Spelling Patterns

Week beginning 25/09: Revision of the /c/ sound spelt 'ch'.

Week beginning 02/10: Revision of the /r/ sound spelt 'wr'.

Week beginning 09/10: Learning about the /i/ and /oo/ sounds spelt 'ui' (guitar, fruit).

#### Reminders

Individual school photos will take place next week on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October. If your child has siblings at either Leigh or Betchworth, you are more than welcome to bring them along to Brockham site for a sibling photograph at 8.00am, where Geoff will be in the school hall. This option is only available for North Downs pupils and not pre-school children.

Please remember that no children are permitted to access the school classrooms or the rest of the site prior to the start of the school day at 8.35am and they must remain under adult supervision unless they are signed up to Breakfast Club.

Thank you, have a lovely weekend!  
Mr. Evenden and Miss Tennent