



Emersons Green Primary School

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### Green Class Newsletter – Term 1 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 3! I hope you all had an excellent summer and are ready for another school year.

#### General Information

I will be teaching the class on a full-time basis. Mr Wilson and Miss Duncan will teach the class on a Wednesday afternoon, while Mrs Adams will be teaching on alternate Wednesday mornings. Additional adults supporting in class are Miss Palmer (Monday- Wednesday), Mrs Humphries (Thursday- Friday) and Miss Shepard (full time). Miss Duncan will be working in the class on Thursday afternoons to also support the children further with their learning.

PE will take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays; children need to wear full PE kit to school on these days. Some weeks these sessions may be outside so please make sure the children are dressed appropriately.

We will visit the school library on Tuesdays where the children will take their coloured book band book to read for the week. It is vital the children read this book both at school and at home. They must bring them into school every day with their reading record.

Show and tell will take place every other Friday:

8<sup>th</sup> September, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 6<sup>th</sup> October, 20<sup>th</sup> October

Please ensure that your child brings the following to school each day:

- School reading book and reading record
- A named water bottle (please only provide water, not squash or fizzy drinks)
- Waterproof coat

Children will need to bring in their own piece of fruit or healthy snack to have during our morning snack time. If you would like your child to have milk during morning snack time, please contact the school office if you need support.

#### Google Classroom and Twitter

Please ensure you have logged into Google Classroom and can access the 'Green Class' page. Google Classroom will be used to share important information and reminders, newsletters, and photos of children's learning. Twitter is also a great place to see what is going on in school so please request to follow us (@EG\_Primary) if you have not yet done so.

### This term's learning:

You will find on the school website and on Google Classroom the following documents that will give you more information about what we will be learning during Term:

1. Newsletter
2. Topic Web
3. Spellings

### Supporting children at home:

#### Reading

Through the first week, your child will have chosen a reading book in an appropriate book band. Throughout the year an assessment tool called 'Benchmarking' will be used to identify whether the children are ready to move on to a new book-band colour.

Children will be reading regularly in class through our whole class reading sessions and with an adult 1:1, when possible. Along with this, please continue to hear your child read their school reading book aloud as often as possible, aiming for 5x per week, and record the reading in their reading record. It is really helpful if you can let us know what is going well with your child's reading or anything you have helped them with. Adults in school will do the same when we hear children read. Thank you for your support with this.

It is also important they are also sharing and enjoying books most days at home too with their reading for pleasure. See the homework document for some ideas on how to enjoy books together with your child.

#### TTRS

In Year 3 Children should continue to access TTRS to practise and consolidate their knowledge of times tables they have covered. They should be completing 20 minutes of this per week. I recommend doing this across the week for example 4, 5-minute slots. Along with TTRS it is important that the children are practising times tables every day – this can include chanting them, rote learning multiple times, writing fact families ( $2 \times 4 = 8$ ,  $4 \times 2 = 8$ ,  $8 \div 2 = 4$ ,  $8 \div 4 = 2$ ) or using on-line games and resources.

It would be great to see high numbers of participation each week! As well as awards for TTRS in assembly, in Green Class we also have our own display where children who have completed their minutes will have their names displayed on our TTRS champion board, winning house points for their schoolhouse!

All logins are the same for TTRS and Numbotz. Reminders for logins will be sent home at the beginning of term.

#### Spelling

The spelling overview document outlines the spelling rules/patterns which will be taught each week, along with some example words and some 'common exception words' which children need to learn. Please support your child's developing spelling knowledge by practising the rules/patterns and CEW at home. Children's spelling will be assessed through weekly spelling dictations through using dictated sentences.

### Homework

See the whole school homework letter which is on the website and on Google Classroom.

I hope this provides some useful information about life in Year 3! If you have any questions or concerns, or there is anything in particular you would like me to know about your child, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks,

Miss E Fox