



Welcome to Year 3!

We hope you have all had a lovely summer holiday and the children are excited to be joining our Year 3 class. This year marks a milestone for all of the children in Year 3 as they step from Key Stage 1 into Key Stage 2: the 'juniors'!

Year 3 Staff

Mrs Sheridan (Class Teacher)

I have been a part of the BVPS team for about four years now and feel very lucky to be a part of this fantastic school! I am thoroughly looking forward to be teaching year 3, after spending three years in EYFS. It's been lovely to get to know the children in the summer transition sessions and see how they have grown and developed! We have some great topics in Year 3 to learn about and enjoy together. As well as being a class teacher, I also lead Computing and organise the digital leaders.

Mrs Huxtable (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Huxtable will be joining us in the afternoons to support the children. She has a wealth of experience supporting children at BVPS. She will be supporting learning in

the classroom, taking small groups for focused sessions and supporting daily reading.

Miss Weston (HLTA)

Miss Weston will be covering my planning time on a Thursday morning. She will be teaching handwriting, spelling and PE. PE is her specialism, she brings lots of enthusiasm and knowledge to this subject.

Important Information for Year 3

PE Days

Year 3 pupils will have PE on Mondays and Thursdays.

Pupils should bring their full PE kit and trainers (please see school website for details) at the start of each week and leave it in their locker until Friday. It can then be washed over the weekend and returned to school on Monday.

Year 3 will be going swimming after the Christmas holiday.

Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning outside of the classroom as well as helping them to develop their independence and organisational skills.

Year 3 pupils will receive the following homework:

Reading – Pupils should try to read as frequently as possible. We ask that you record when they have read in their homework diaries, so we can keep track of how much they are doing at home.

As soon as a book is finished, this can be changed in school.

When I feel a child is ready, they will become a 'Free Reader'. This allows the children to choose from a wider variety of books in the school and class library. Alternatively, they may choose to read a book from home/Burscough Library and record this in the Reading Record.

Spellings – Every **week**, the children will receive a set of spellings which they will need to learn ready for a test the following **Friday**. Spellings will be uploaded to Showbie

weekly to enable pupils to practice at home. Alongside this, pupils will work on these spellings during lessons.

Maths - Children will be receiving Maths homework in their pack. This homework will be set on a **Friday** and it will need to be handed in the following **Thursday**.

Having spent time with the children in our transition sessions in the summer term, I know that they are ready for the next step in their education and I am excited to get to know them over the next year. I am sure we will have a fantastic year together!

Kind regards,

Mrs Sheridan