

# Our Year 3 Classroom News

# **Autumn Term Information**

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### Welcome

Hello and welcome to the juniors! All of the Year 3 team are feeling excited about the up and coming year after having such successful transition mornings.

We kick-start Year 3 with our Autumn term topic called **Dangerous Disasters** where we will be learning about the Great Fire of London and other natural disasters.

Miss Paterson, Mr Sparkes and Miss Mansfield

# **Our Topic**

Over the course of the Autumn term, we will explore these exciting learning questions:

- How did the Great Fire of London start?
- Why was it an important moment in British History?
- What impact did the disaster have on people's lives?

**In English**, we will be developing our skills through a range of texts. First we will be writing to entertain and then we will be writing to inform. It will include us writing character descriptions, adventure stories and information reports.

**In Maths**, we will be focusing on place value, learning both mental strategies and formal written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

**In Science**, we will be observing magnetic forces and investigating which materials are attracted and repelled by magnets.



## Things to Remember

### **PE and Swimming:**

Year 3 PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays. The children will need to come to school in their outdoor kit on a Tuesday and will need to bring in their indoor PE kit on a Thursday.

The table below shows which term each class has their swimming lessons.

| Year 3 Swimming Lessons |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Charing                 | Thursday AM - Autumn term |
| Cross                   |                           |
| Victoria                | Thursday AM - Spring term |
| Canary                  | Thursday AM - Summer term |
| Wharf                   |                           |

### Homework:

All homework is handed out on a Friday and will be due back in on the following Wednesday.

- Reading Journals You must read everyday for twenty minutes and also complete one reading journal entry per week
- Every week the children will complete a times table task in their workbooks.
- Topic Each term the children will design a project linked to our topic. More information to follow on this in September.

# **Important Dates**

| 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | Children back to school           |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Meet the Teacher at 9am, KS2 Hall |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Launch Day                        |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> and  | Parents Evenings                  |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct  |                                   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | Victoria class assembly, 9am, KS2 |
|                       | Hall                              |
| II <sup>th</sup> and  | YI-3 Christmas Production         |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec  |                                   |

| 12 <sup>th</sup>    | Canary Wharf class assembly  |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| March               |                              |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> May | Charing Cross class assembly |