

Barleyhurst Park Primary School

Year 3 Monkeys



Autumn Newsletter

'We try our best, we swing to success.'

Welcome Back!

Welcome back and welcome to a new school year. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the Year 3 teacher. My name is Mrs Burns and I have taught in Year 5 for a long time at Barleyhurst Park so I am looking forward to working with the youngest children in Key Stage 2 this year. We are also very lucky to have Mrs Way and Mrs Rowe as our teaching assistants. Obviously, this new school year comes after months of uncertainty and unprecedented times so we understand that the children and their families may have worries or concerns but as a team we are fully prepared to ensure that each member of our class receives the support that they need to have a successful year.



Our first topic will take us back in time to ancient Greece!

We will learn about the landscapes, climates, people and the gods who were such an important part of everyday life in Greek times. Pupils will use their research to produce fact files packed full of interesting information and to create their very own ancient Greek pottery.

During our Science lessons the children will be learning about Healthy Eating and an active lifestyle. This will be supported by our PE sessions, which will take place on Wednesday. **For this session, your child will need to come into school in a full PE kit of shorts, t-shirt and suitable outdoor footwear.** As the weather gets colder, they may also need a sweatshirt or tracksuit. We also ask that all pupils with earrings bring in micro-pore tape to cover their jewellery.



On Thursdays we will be taking part in Forest Schools once again and the children will need to come into school in PE kit but unlike PE, where the children will be running around a lot, there is the chance that the children will not be as warm so on this day they will need to come to school wearing a warmer PE kit.



Pupils will be set English and Maths homework on Thursdays. Spellings will also be set each week and a test will be held on Mondays. A reading book and a library book will also be sent home for your child to read. We would appreciate it if you could continue to fill in the reading log every time you hear your child read. It is more important than ever before to read regularly with your child at home as they have all missed a significant amount of schooling.

We are always happy to discuss any issues that may arise during the term which you feel we need to be made aware of. The happiness of all the children in our care is of utmost importance. If you need to speak to me during this first term it will not be as easy as in previous years as we are not able to allow parents onto site at this time. I will be at the gate some mornings and at the end of most days but alternatively please phone the school office to speak to me.

I hope this newsletter gives you insight into what we will be doing this term. I myself am very excited about the year and can't wait to get started.

Kind regards,

Mrs Burns