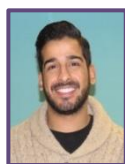


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# Year 3 Information Autumn 2017



Mr Patel



Miss Sharp



Miss Miah



Mrs Shirt



Mr Ahmed



Miss Jackson



Mrs Oni



Mr Tucker



Miss Gowler

## Dates for your diary - Autumn Term

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	School Photographs (individuals)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	School Photographs (sibling groups)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Friends of Ravenscroft Cake Sale
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Family Celebration Event - Diwali
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	Last day of half-term for pupils
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	School closed for Diwali
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2017	School closed for pupils ( <b>INSET Day 2</b> )

## Reading is Important

As well as having our 'class reader', pupils have opportunities to take home a book of their choosing to read for pleasure from the book corner, and a book with a coloured label on the spine which denotes our reading level. These books must be kept in their reading bag or book folder and brought in every day.

It is very important that your child brings in their book every day as we often provide opportunities to read in class. Please ensure your child's book is returned every Friday as this is the day that pupils change their book.

Please take time to listen to your child read each day and talk to them about their book. They need to understand what they are reading – not just be able to read the words.

Try taking your child to the local library, it's free to join and borrow books.

## Reminders

- Year 3 pupils have PE on Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Please make sure your child their P.E. kit including trainers/plimsolls with them on these days and that it is not worn under their uniform. Jewellery must not be worn at school except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with plasters for P.E.
- Please ensure ALL of your child's clothing and shoes are labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe.
- Remember school starts at 9.00am – don't be late! Pupils may bring a bottle of water to drink during the day.
- Please make sure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions (hat, scarf, gloves etc.)
- Times tables and weekly spellings will be sent home and tested weekly at school. These need to be practised each night so that your child is fully prepared. A list of 50 irregular spellings has also been sent home. These are to be learnt alongside the weekly spellings, with all 50 being learnt by the end of the year. We recommend that your child learns 1 new spelling each evening.
- It would also be very helpful if you could teach your child to tie their shoelaces, tell the time and practise basic addition and subtraction through money when paying for items in a shop. This will help your child to connect the strategies that they have learnt in school with real life situations.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club takes place every day in the Family Room 8am to 9am at a cost of £1 per day. Call at the school office to arrange a place for your child.

## Useful Websites

[www.britishmuseum.org](http://www.britishmuseum.org)

[www.tfl.gov.uk](http://www.tfl.gov.uk) (Use this to plan our routes for our trips)

[www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk)

## Educational Visits

Year 3 will be visiting the Olympic Park to ride on the canal boats.  
Letters will be sent nearer to the time.

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### RE

#### Holi

The children investigate the stories surrounding the Hindu festival of Holi, a battle around good and evil and the importance of faithfulness and colour in our lives.

### FRENCH

#### Where Do I Live?

By the end of the unit, children will be able to talk and describe their own home. They will recap on and develop their conversational and written French.

### HISTORY

#### Stone Age – Iron Age

During this unit, children will begin to develop an understanding of the distant past and how people lived in Neolithic – pre-historic – Britain. They will learn about Bronze Age religion, technology, travel, tribal kingdoms, farming, art and culture.

### SCIENCE

#### Rocks

Children will compare and group fossils and soils based on their appearance and simple physical properties. They will explore how fossils and soils are formed.

### ART/DT

#### Art About Us

#### *Painting and drawing*

During this unit, children will be creating a body of work based on their loved ones. They will study artists and their depictions of family life acknowledging different traditions and family structures across the world.

### COMPUTING

#### E-safety

Through discussion the children will learn how to stay safe online.

#### Scratch – About Me

Scratch is a programming language where children can program interactive media. Children will use Scratch to create an animation describing them. Children will continue to learn about algorithms, programming and debugging.

### PE

#### Hockey

During this unit, children will know and use rules fairly, use their awareness of space to support team mates and cause problems for the opposition. They will get better at keeping possession of the ball.

#### Health and Fitness

Throughout the year in PE lessons, children will be able to explain why it is important to warm up and cool down and identify some muscle groups used in different activities.

### MUSIC

#### Three Little Birds

Children will create and perform a piece of music using classroom instruments. They will use the musical vocabulary to describe what we think about them and how they make them feel.