# Welcome to Year 3!

A very warm welcome to Avenue Junior School! After a long and restful summer, it's been great to get back to working with the children!

Even with a few unexpected changes around the school, we have been blown away by the children's positive attitude to learning, amazing ideas and beautiful manners! They have settled in brilliantly and have been quick to adapt to the new routines.

This short newsletter is to help bring you up to speed with some of the things going on at school at the start of the new year.

Please do also keep an eye on Class Dojo as this is our primary means of communication.

### PE Days

- 3G Monday and Wednesday
- 3PC Wednesday and Thursday
- 3GY Monday and Wednesday
- 3H Monday and Friday

Children are expected to wear a plain white/black top (polo or t-shirt) and black bottoms (shorts, leggings, jogging bottoms) for PE. Trainers are the best form of footwear as they provide children with good stability. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kits. They will stay in their PE kit all day and will not be expected to change. On cooler days, children can of course wear a jumper. This can be a school jumper on an appropriate sports hoodie/sweatshirt.

#### Water Bottles and Snack

Please ensure that all children have a named water bottle in school. Most children will also bring in a healthy snack for their morning break. In Key Stage 2, snacks are no longer provided by the school.

## Meet the Year 3 Team

We have a fantastic team in Year 3!

Mr Gately (Year Leaders) – 3G

Ms Perreira and Mr Chambers – 3PC

Mr Grey – 3GY

Miss Hook – 3H

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions, queries or concerns. They are all available to reach via Class Dojo. Alternatively, you can have a quick chat with them on the playground after school.

## Learning at Home

Whilst we do not set any formal homework at Avenue Junior School, we do ask that you spend 10 minutes each day reading with your child. The benefits of this are wide ranging.

We would also encourage you to use any opportunity to practice their 2-, 5- and 10-times tables. Counting in 2s, 5s and 10s is an easy option but being able to recall their times tables (e.g. 4x5=20) fluently will greatly aid their maths learning in school.

## **Curriculum Map**

A curriculum map will be sent out via email and is also available on the school website. The curriculum map provides you with a brief overview of our learning for this half term.

## Paths Compliments

Every day or every second day, the classes will choose a PATHS Pupil. This is chance to celebrate each of the students and give them some special attention. One way we do this is to pay them compliments in class. We keep a record of these and will be uploading them to the child's Class Dojo Portfolio. You're welcome to add your own compliments too!