

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to the summer term at Berridge. It is an important time for children as they prepare to transition to Year 4..

This term Year 3 will be studying two main topics involving science and geography. In science we will be studying plants. This is an exciting area where we will have lots of opportunities to get our hands dirty. In geography we will be studying the human and physical features of Nottinghamshire and comparing life in the city to that of the countryside. There will be lots of map skills to develop and an enjoyable trip to Edwinstowe to look forward to. We also have a cooking topic in Design and Technology where we will be making savoury scones. Finally, there will be creative elements to all our work, this term we are focussing on positive and negative spaces in drawing, printing and also painting and stitching landscapes onto material.

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school at all times.

We enjoy reading in Year 3 and have loved listening to class stories and studying books in more depth during English lessons. We will be continuing this during the summer term with exciting class readers such as The Boy Who Grew Dragons, Charlotte's Web and Sheep Pig. Our Stay and Read sessions have been very popular and we will be continuing with these on a Monday afternoon at 2.55pm. We would like to say a big thank you to all who have attended so far. Please come along if you haven't been before. It's a great opportunity to support your child's learning and to hear them read.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of supporting your child's learning at home. You should be hearing them read at least three times a week and writing in their school diaries. Remember your child has free access to Timestables Rockstars, their login for this is in their reading diary. Help with homework can be found on the school website <https://www.berridgeprimary.com/remote-learning-homework-home-learning-challenges/> Your child should also be completing their home learning challenges which are research based or creative and based on the topic we are studying. These have been sent to you directly along with the knowledge organiser to support curriculum learning. In addition, your child has new spellings stuck in their reading diaries every two weeks. Please help your child to learn these. All your support is greatly appreciated and has a direct impact on the attainment of your child. Thank you.

Finally, we would like to remind you that it is vital your child comes to school every day so they can continue to make progress with their learning. Missing school does mean your child can fall behind and it can be difficult to catch up. If your child needs medicine during the

day, please speak to the school office who can complete forms and help make arrangements. Coughs and colds are normal and these should not prevent children coming to school on a regular basis. Please speak to the school office who can assist if you have queries over absence. Further information can be found on our school website. Remember, school starts at 8.45am please make sure you bring your child on time to reduce lost learning. Don't forget to send your child to school with a water bottle and a snack to eat at play time.

Thank you for your continued support; as our school motto says "Working together we can achieve success".

Yours

Mrs Webster and the Year 3 team