



# Year 3

Newsletter to Parents

Autumn Term 2016

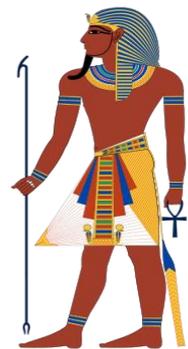
Dear Parents,  
Welcome

We would like to warmly welcome you to Year Three and the beginning of your child's journey through Key Stage Two. We have had a great start to the year and we are all enjoying getting to know the children. If you have any particular interest in an area outlined below and would like to come in and share experiences or resources with the children, it would be very much appreciated.

### Under The Sand

The topic for the first half term is Under the Sand. The children have discussed what they already know about Ancient Egypt and are excited about the areas that they want to investigate further. We will be researching the history of Ancient Egypt and the lives of everyday people. The children have already generated some interesting questions that they are keen to explore - please talk to them about what they have discussed in class and help them research any extra information that they might want to share.

At the end of the half term we will be holding an 'Egyptian Day' on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October and we will be inviting you to join us at 2:50pm for a class assembly in the hall when the children will share their work. Further details will follow but here's some early warning that we **will** be 'dressing up'!



### Rise of the Robots

Our topic for the second half term will be Rise of the Robots. We will be focusing on how technology has influenced our lives and changed the world around us. We will also be considering the mechanical make up of robots and looking at this through a scientific perspective considering magnetic materials.

### Reading

Children are expected to read aloud to an adult regularly at home, preferably at least three times a week. Asking your children questions about the text will help them to develop their retrieval and deduction skills.



### Home Learning

Weekly Home Learning will be set on Thursdays and will need to be returned on a Tuesday. This will be an open ended question that the children can respond to and present their ideas in any way they would like. We would also encourage regular practise of multiplication tables - x2,3,4,5, and 10 need to be secure by the end of Year 3 with children beginning to see the links between the x4 and x8 times tables.

### Spellings

The children will be given a new set of spellings to learn every week. The spellings will go out on a Tuesday and the children will be tested the following Tuesday.

### Recorders

In Year Three, the children learn how to play the recorder as part of their music curriculum. Recorders will be available for you to purchase, more information will follow next week.





### Break Time Snack

Children will no longer receive a snack at morning break times. If you would like your child to continue having a snack, please provide them with a piece of fruit or vegetable. Please ensure that your child has a named bottle of water with them every day.

### Year 3 reminders:

1. Please ensure your child has a named bottle of water in school every day.
2. Home learning is set on a Thursday and due in on the following Tuesday. The expectation of home learning is that the children will spend around 30 minutes on the task.
3. Reading diaries and books need to be in school every day.
4. Children will need their PE kits in school on Wednesday and Friday.
5. Einstein class will need swimming items in school on Wednesdays.

Should you have any queries at all please feel free to speak to us. Thank you for your continuing support.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Mann, Mrs Smith and Miss Slaney