

Great Chesterford C.E. Primary Academy

Class 3 Newsletter

Summer Term 2022

Dear Children and Parents

Welcome back to a new term. We hope you all had a happy and healthy Easter break. We are looking forward to welcoming the children back for a busy summer term. We continue to work hard to ensure that school is a safe and happy place for all, and we would like to thank you for your continuing support.

Termly Topic

This term, we hope to bring a little bit of Roman life into the classroom with our topic: ***Invaders and Settlers***. We will learn about the Roman invasion of Britain and its impact and legacy. Roman mosaics will inspire our art and craft work and we will learn about the human and physical features of Europe. If parents can help in any way by providing information or artefacts such as holiday souvenirs, photographs, etc, we would be really pleased to hear from you. Our class collective worship will take place on Friday 8th July and we are hoping to organise a class trip this term – details to follow.

PE/Swimming

PE lessons will take place on a **Thursday** afternoon and children are requested to come to school wearing their PE kit. PE kit consists of a white or navy school PE top, navy shorts/skort, socks, plimsolls and trainers. If the weather remains cold, children may wear blue or black skins or joggers. Children with pierced ears will have to remove earrings for all PE lessons. Swimming lessons will continue to be on **Wednesday** mornings. For swimming lessons, children will need to come to school wearing their swimming costume under their uniform or PE kit and bring a towel, goggles, a hat and their underwear in a named bag. For the girls, a tankini style costume can be helpful.

Art

Please could children bring back into school a named overall / old shirt for our art lessons.

Homework

Children in Class 3 are expected to do approximately **15 minutes reading with an adult per night**. Reading is an important part of homework and children in this class benefit greatly from reading with an adult and talking about the book they are reading to practise their comprehension skills. We request that parents comment about their child's reading in the 'Home' section of the planner and to add a signature each week. Planners will be checked each Friday to ensure that children are reading regularly at home. **Children should bring their reading book and School Planner to school each day.**

Children will be set a **weekly written or online maths task each Friday**, which will be related to what is being taught in maths lessons that week. This should take approximately 20 minutes. Written homework should be handed in on the **following Wednesday**. Any online activities will be via **Active Learn** and children will be able to access their allocated games using their username and password (see planner for details).

At home, in addition, children are expected to practise **times tables daily** as fluency with these multiplication and related division facts is essential for maths development. The tables the children will be learning will be recorded in their planners each week. Regular practice on apps such as TT Rock Stars will support with this. Please see the planner for login details.

If you have any questions about any part of this letter, please don't hesitate to get in touch, either in person, after school or through a note in the parents' comments section of the School Planner. We look forward to working with you to ensure the children have a productive and enjoyable term ahead.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Raper and Mrs Barden
Class Teachers