



Friday 7th November

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back. We hope that you've had a restful half term break in readiness for what is always a busy term!

Topic

Our topic this term is Capital Cities. Please see the Topic Web for details of our curriculum this term. It also contains vocabulary that we will be using in class.

Homework

Homework will be set on Thursday via Class Dojo, to be returned by the following Thursday. As was the case in Autumn 1, the homework will consist of Doodle Maths, Spellingframe.co.uk activities reading aloud to an adult as often as is possible. We'll continue to provide paper copies for those of you who have requested them. We've been impressed by how year 3 have risen to the KS2 challenge of homework so far this year – keep it up!

Trips

KS2 children will all visit the Oxford Playhouse on Tuesday 16th December. The cost of this trip will be around £12. The office will email about this closer to the time.

P.E. and Library days

As in the last term, our P.E. days are **Monday** (for indoor P.E.) and **Tuesday** (for outdoor P.E.). Our outdoor PE lessons will happen outdoors rain or shine (excepting extreme weather conditions), so please ensure that your child has warm and/or waterproof clothing for these lessons.

The children will visit the school library on **Wednesday** afternoons; please ensure they have their library book in their book bag on that day. They are also welcome to visit the library during lunchtimes to change books.

Communication

- **Urgent messages:** Please email the school office.
- **Non-urgent messages:** You can use Class Dojo to contact us. It is best to contact Mrs Halcrow on Mondays and Tuesdays, and Mrs Wright on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We aim to respond within 2 working days.

We operate an **open-door policy** – if you'd like to speak to a teacher or member of the leadership team, please just ask. A senior leader is usually on the gate each morning.

Punctuality and Attendance

Throughout school, doors open at 8.40 a.m. and the register is taken at 8.50 a.m. If you arrive in school after the register has been taken, you will need to take your child to reception to register them for the day. Pick up time is at 3.20 p.m.

Diary Dates

Date	Event	Actions
Fri 7 th Nov	Festival of Faith	Projects to be returned by Thursday 6 th Nov
Fri 14 th Nov	Children in Need SASA Disco (after school)	Children to wear spots (Suggested donation £1) See communication from Office with timings and costs.
Fri 21 th Nov	Individual School Photos	An email will be sent with information about ordering these.
Wed 26 th Nov	Book Look	Please come into the year 3 classroom between 8.40 – 9am to see your child's books
Thurs 27 th Nov	Non-Uniform Day	Bring an item for the SASA Winter Fayre Tombola
Fri 28th Nov	School INSET day	School Closed to children
W.C. 1 st Dec	Assessment Week	No Action
Fri 5 th Dec – 3.20pm	SASA Christmas Fayre	Look out for details of this exciting event
Tues 9 th Dec	School Christmas Church Service	Helpers to walk to Church are much appreciated.
Thurs 11 th Dec – 6pm (Hall)	Year 3 and 4 Nativity	We usually ask for children to wear dark clothing underneath costumes (which we will provide!). We'll let you know closer to the time via Dojo.
Tues 16 th Dec	KS2 visit to Oxford Playhouse	Letter to follow – the cost will be approx. £12
Wed 17 th Dec	KS1 Christmas Lunch	Year 3 will all need packed lunches on this day
Thurs 18 th Dec	KS2 Christmas Lunch	Please pay via parentpay or at the school office
Fri 19 th Dec at 1.30pm	End of term	
Tues 6 th Jan	Children return to school	

Best wishes,

Mrs Wright, Mrs Halcrow, Mrs Marsden, Mrs James and Mrs Kanako