

# WHAPLODE C OF E AUTUMN 2018

## Year 3 class newsletter.

WELCOME BACK FROM YOUR  
SUMMER BREAK FROM MRS HOGAN  
AND MRS ROBERTS.

Welcome to the new school year, after the long, glorious summer break. We see that some of you have already been busy, over the holidays, working with your children on our **Geography** topic for this term. Keep up the good work, and thank you for your support. Rainforests is a great topic to start the year with! This topic will cover the eco systems within the forest, and how plants and animals depend on each other.

*In Science we will be learning about animals and humans. We will look at the importance of proper nutrition, and finding out how different parts of the body have different functions.*

*In English this term, we will be focussing on non-chronological reports and poetry, which we will be linking with our topic work. There will also be focussed sessions on spelling and grammar. In Maths, we will begin with number and place value up to 1000, before moving on to addition and subtraction*

HELLO FROM MRS HOGAN, YOUR  
NEW TEACHER.

I am very pleased to be the new class teacher for year 3 at Whaplode PS. They are a lovely class, and everyone in the School, and all the parents that I have met, have made me feel very welcome. Originally from Ireland, and still with the accent to prove it, I now live in Rippingale, near Bourne, with my husband, and our three teenagers. I completed my teacher training at Leicester University, and most of my 15 years teaching experience has been here in the East Midlands.





## Homework

**Maths and Literacy** tasks will be sent home on alternate weeks on Fridays and are due in the following Wednesday. Tasks will relate to learning the children have done in class. Please support them.

**Spellings** will be given out on Mondays for testing some time the following week. Word lists will contain specific spelling patterns as well as words from the Year 3/4 list of exception words. **Reading** should be done at least 4 times a week, in order to make good progress, whatever your child's ability. It is important the children understand new vocabulary they come across and comprehend what the text is about. You can help them with this by asking them questions about what they have read. Don't forget to sign their homework diary too! The children need to learn their 3, 4 and 8 **multiplication tables** and revise their 2s, 5s and 10s. They can log into their Rockstar Times Tables account at home to practise.

## Forest School

Mrs Roberts will be running regular Forest School sessions. As you know, the children go out in all weathers and have opportunities to dig, climb, and complete all sorts of fun outdoor learning activities. With this in mind, old clothes are essential and a waterproof jacket may be a good idea too. Thin layers of clothes are best and don't forget the wellies!

## REMINDERS

### PE + Swimming

Year Three will be swimming on Monday afternoons with Mrs Rous and they will be doing PE on a Thursday with Miss Cox. PE will be outdoors if the weather permits so trainers will be needed as well as t-shirt, shorts, tracksuit bottoms or leggings and a jumper. They need plimsolls for indoor PE. **It is very important that the children have a PE kit in school at all times.**



### The Year Ahead

In the coming year I look forward to working with the lovely Mrs Roberts and to getting to know the children, whilst helping them learn and develop in a supportive, happy environment. I am sure that, with your help, we can help them to reach their potential. I believe this is the most important, and most rewarding, aspect of teaching!



