



Year 3 Autumn Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Loughton School! We are impressed with how well the children have already begun to settle into the new routines of year 3 and how independent they are becoming during an uncertain year. So far, the children have explored a different book in each class for our 'Take one book week' and submerged themselves in activities associated to the text. Soon we will be learning about place value in maths, retelling the Peter Rabbit story in their English sessions and learning all about Amazing Animals in our theme lessons. The Year 3 team are already impressed with the presentation, hard work and perseverance shown by the children in their lessons.

Thank you for working with us to stick to your allocated time slots for drop off and collection. As you will have noticed, we are encouraging children to walk from the gate to the classroom doors, which means we won't have as much interaction as usual. However please don't hesitate to contact us via email if you have any concerns or worries about your child. We look forward to updating you about how your children have settled in towards the end of the Autumn half term.

Best wishes,
Charlie McNeaney
Year 3 Leader



Please be aware we have some children with severe nut allergies in year 3 and therefore kindly request that you do not pack any nut products in your child's lunchboxes.



Introducing the Year 3 Team

- HB1 **Charlie McNeaney** mcneaneyc@loughton.school (Mon-Tues)
- Emily Thomas** thomase@loughton.school (Weds- Fri)
- HB2 **Boppy Wilmshurst** wilmshurstb@loughton.school
- Kirsty Coppins** (*Trainee teacher*)
- HB3 **Hannah Carter** carterh@loughton.school
- HB4 **Sarah Taylor** taylors@loughton.school (Mon-Weds)
- Lizzie Sanderson** sandersonl@loughton.school (Thurs-Fri)

Additional adults that will be working in year 3 this year include:

- Mrs Frost (Deputy Headteacher)
- **9 ¾ support group:** Mrs Nabbs, Mrs Read and Mrs Pandey
- **Learning support assistants:** Miss Cirigottis, Mrs Vernon, Miss Day, Mrs Dillon, Mrs Furniss, Mr Foster and Mrs Slorach



Please do not hesitate to contact us on our email above, where we will endeavour to get back to you within 48 hours. Email addresses can also be found on the Loughton School website.

Staff introductions:

Mrs Charlie McNeaney (HB1): Hello, I am very excited to embrace another year in year 3 with the wonderful children. My favourite subject is maths and I love to spend time with my children, new puppy and family on the weekend.

Miss Emily Thomas (HB1): I cannot wait to get stuck in to all of the exciting learning opportunities we have coming up in year 3! When I'm not at school, I love getting involved with local theatre projects, as well as spending time with family, friends and my new kitten, Hugo!

Mrs Boppy Wilmshurst (HB2): My name is Mrs Wilmshurst and I'm really happy to be in year 3 again this year because I love welcoming new faces to our lovely school. I really enjoy teaching English and History. I love travelling, eating pudding and reading a great book!

Miss Kirsty Coppins (HB2): I am new to teaching this year and very much looking forward to being with HB2. It is very exciting to be back to school and see everyone's smiling faces. My favourite subject is art and I love to see all the beautiful pictures around the school.

Miss Hannah Carter (HB3): I am a newly qualified teacher starting my teaching journey at Loughton School. I am excited to be joining year 3 and looking forward to the adventure ahead. I really enjoy teaching maths and science. I love all different types of sports, travelling and reading a great book!

Mrs Sarah Taylor (HB4): Hi, I have been teaching for around 30 years with some breaks for time with my family. I came to Loughton last year having spent the previous 10 years as a PE specialist working for MK sports. I am really excited to be working in year 3 this year.

Mrs Lizzie Sanderson (HB4): Hello my name is Mrs Sanderson and I teach in HB4 alongside Mrs Taylor. I have been teaching for 25 years and have been at Loughton School for 2 years; I love working here. My favourite subjects to teach are history and science, experiments are my favourite! In my spare time, I love spending time with my family (I have 2 daughters and 2 dogs), reading and horse riding.

Homework

A spelling task and a maths task will alternate as the homework set every **Friday**. The children will have until the following **Wednesday** to complete and hand in their homework. Additionally, larger projects will be set throughout the year linked to the year group theme; more information will be provided about these throughout the year.

All homework can be found on the following website link:

<https://padlet.com/mcneaneyc/year320202021>

Please use the homework book to jot any ideas down or practice spellings, then upload your learning to the shared learning section for feedback.

Term dates for your diary:



Last day of half term

Thursday 22 October

Back to School

Monday 2 November



Last day of term

Friday 18 December 1:30pm

Games/P.E. Days



HB1 – Monday and Wednesday

HB2 – Wednesday and Thursday

HB3 – Monday and Wednesday

HB4 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Please can you ensure children come to school 'PE ready' for those days as the children will no longer be able to change in school.

We will be going outside in most kinds of weather and suggest that you send your child with suitably warm clothing, such as a tracksuit.

Behaviour

Behaviour on a Page

<u>Rules</u>	<u>Visible Consistencies</u>	<u>Over & Above Recognition</u>
Be your best	Meet and Greet	VIP of the day
Be Ready	Recognition boards	Feel good Friday reward
Be Respectful	Hand up for silence	Children's name sent to SLT
Be Safe		

Above are the three clear rules we ask the children to follow: be ready, be respectful and be safe.

As a school, we want to celebrate all of the children for their over and above (exceptional) behaviour. We will be having Friday treats and daily VIPs to recognise those children.

The children are also aware of a series of consequences that will be followed if they do not adhere to the Loughton School rules.

ParentMail

We hope you have managed to register on ParentMail, where you will receive all school communication via your email. Additionally, parent pay also means you can easily and safely pay for any events, trips or school lunches. This will also mean you give automatic permission and will save the need for any additional slips! Please do let the school office know if you are having any troubles with this.

MarvellousMe

MarvellousMe is a fantastic app we have here at Loughton School. It enables us to send you instant positive messages about what your child/child's class is getting up to at school. These range from badges for showing values in school to messages to show off their work. All you need to do is download the app, type in your child's unique code and you're ready to go!

Reading

Your child will soon be coming home with a reading book and daily reading record. Every child in year 3 will be able to choose a reading book to bring home. We encourage the children to read a little every night but suggest a minimum of 4 times a week. Please remind your child that it is their responsibility to change their books regularly and record any reading done at home in their daily reading record.

To encourage and celebrate a love of reading we will be offering the chance to win prizes if your child reads aloud 4 times a week. The most important thing is to make reading a positive and enjoyable experience.

Year 3 'I Can' Statements

Lots of parents ask us at the beginning of the year how they can support and extend their child's learning at home, in addition to the homework set. Pre-learning topic related vocabulary will enable the children to begin each new topic with some understanding. On our school website, under 'curriculum overview', is a map of the different subjects the children will cover in their first term at Loughton School. Each subject has a list of 'I can' statements, in which the children will be aiming to be able to say they can do by the time we break up for the Christmas holidays.