



# St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover

Learning for life with God as our guide

## CLASS 3 NEWSLETTER

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### Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



#### Terms 3 and 4 2026

Terms 3 and 4 have been incredibly busy for the Puffins' Class, filled with exciting learning and new experiences. We have enjoyed our time at forest school, exploring the outdoors and developing our teamwork skills. In Science, we learnt all about plants and even grew our own in the classroom, watching it change and develop over time. Our Maths lessons focused on fractions, capacity and mass, helping us build confidence in solving practical problems. In English, we had great fun writing our own stories inspired by *George's Marvellous Medicine*, using our imaginations to create unique and entertaining tales. We also visited Dover library, where we explored a wide range of books and developed our love of reading. To top it all off, we proudly took part in the 'inter-house spelling bee', showing off our fantastic spelling skills and supporting our teams.

We are very much looking forward to the new, exciting learning awaiting us in Terms 5 and 6!



#### Homework

Homework is set on a Friday to be returned by the following Wednesday.

Tasks are designed to extend and consolidate the themes covered in class. There will usually be a Maths or Spelling challenge and another activity linked to our on-going topics.

Your support with this is much appreciated. Children that complete and return get a sticker and 5 house points.

#### P.E.

We have covered the Gymnastics and Basketball skills in the P.E. curriculum. We have learnt lots of new skills and we are now able to play our own basketball games at playtime! In terms 5 and 6 we will be covering Tennis and Athletics.

We have two PE lessons each week, on a Monday & Wednesday. For health and safety reasons, it is very important that your child has a suitable kit to change into for these activities. Please ensure this is school PE kit and suitable trainers/plimsolls.



#### Reading

The children in Key Stage 2 are all given a reading book that is matched to their Accelerated Reader level. We assess this termly and adjust the choice of their books accordingly. Additionally, they have their library book at school which they can read. Alongside their reading book, they have a purple reading record that is for you (and them) to record every time your child reads at home. They should be reading 5-10 minutes a day at home to ensure they have the reading skills necessary.

Every time your child brings their purple reading book in on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday that week, they get a smelly sticker and 5 house points, plus a raffle ticket for a chance to win a termly book bundle! They also get to move forward a step on our reading journey display which they are very excited about!

#### Contact

Please feel free to contact by email - I will always endeavour to reply as soon as possible.

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**Super Learning in Class 3!**



**Thank you for your continued support**

**Miss Sayer**