

# Little Green Junior School - Year 3 Newsletter

## Spring Term 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back; we hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. Thank you for all your support last term with events and home and school learning, and we hope you are ready for another busy term ahead. Many parents find it useful to know what will be studied during the term so that they can best support their child at home. This newsletter will provide you with the relevant information and a few reminders. Attached is our half-termly topic web for you to see the topics we intend on covering.

### Class Emails

Please use these to communicate things with us; some matters are better discussed face to face and we are always happy to meet with you or have a chat over the phone. Please also let us know of any different going home arrangements, especially if you haven't given independent dismissal permission.

### Homework

We hope that the new half-termly homework is helping with managing time outside of school. If your child is struggling with their homework and has spent a reasonable amount of time on it (approx. 30 mins) then please encourage them to seek help from their teacher, rather than struggle on.

- Times tables are tested every Monday and returned on a Tuesday.
- Reading records are due in on a Tuesday with 5 reads aloud to an adult. This is key to helping your child develop fluency. This also allows children to earn stickers and badges for our reading scheme.
- Spellings are given out on a Friday and tested on a Thursday. Please encourage your child to learn the spelling rule for the 'mystery words' part of the spelling test.

### PE

There are 2 timetabled longer sessions per week for each class, as well as timetabled shorter Daily mile and fitter future sessions (on the 3 days when the classes don't have their specific games/PE sessions).

3E/Holly – Monday and Thursday

3H/Elm – Monday and Thursday

3R/Ash – Monday and Friday

**The normal PE kit is essential and all their kit (clothes and footwear) should be marked clearly with their name.** Children with long hair must have a simple hair-tie as part of their kit and earrings must be removed or covered with micro-pore tape from home. They should also have a **change of socks**. Children need to bring suitable sports trainers (**not fashion trainers**) for their games lessons and the Daily Mile sessions. If children have football boots/shin pads they can wear these for the Games/Football sessions.

During the Spring Term we ask parents to provide further wet weather clothing – **a spare sweatshirt, tracksuit bottoms (green or plain dark colour), long football socks and a basic water proof jacket** - so that children can still participate in outdoor physical activities even when the weather isn't as good. For further details please refer to the School Uniform Policy available on the School's website

[www.littlegreen.herts.sch.uk](http://www.littlegreen.herts.sch.uk).

### Art Aprons

We will be doing lots of painting this term; so that your child's uniform is kept as clean as possible, please ensure your child has an art apron/old shirt in school at all times, clearly marked with their name. Children should also have their hair tied back for Art and DT lessons.

### **Tissues**

We would be very grateful if each child could bring a box of tissues into school for use during the term. They are especially needed during the cold season. Thank you.

### **Celtic Harmony Camp**

During the second half of the Spring term, we will be visiting Celtic Harmony Camp to support our learning of the Stone Age to Iron Age. We will send details about this trip nearer the time.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, either in person or via the class email. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Marriott

Miss Gay

Mrs Crawford

Mr Neighbour