

Dear parent/carer,

Welcome back and welcome to Year 3. We hope you enjoyed the summer holidays and are feeling ready for the new academic year.

Homework/Reading

Please ensure that your child is reading regularly at home. Each class has a Get Epic reading account. Please go to <https://www.getepic.com/sign-in> and choose the class code for your child:

Pearl: wyq2753

Opal: xnr4750

Diamond: xyq6477

Following changes at Get Epic - it is now only accessible between 7am and 4pm from home.

To ensure that children have free online reading resources, we have Oxford Owl accounts for each class - and it is available at any time. Please go to: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/please-log-in>

Pearl: username - pearl2020 password - westlands20

Opal: username - opal2020 password - westlands20

Diamond: username - wpsdiamond password - westlands20

Homework tasks, for the moment, will be set on Google Classroom. Our class code is **ffakebj**

Curriculum

Below are the topics that we will be studying in Term 1:

Subject	Term 1 - Rainforests
English	Running Wild- Michael Morpurgo Narrative Information text Diary entry Descriptive writing
Maths	Number Place value Rounding Ordering numbers Addition and subtraction
Science	Light What is light? Luminous, Not luminous Reflection and Mirrors Eyes and Sunsafe Materials and Shadows Light patterns in shadows
Computing	We are De-buggers Using scratch Debugging different games Create own Rainforest animation Fix any errors and bugs
Topic	Rainforests Location Climate

	Life Layers Protection Case Study - Amazon Rainforest
R.E.	This year we are teaching RE with a whole school focus. There will be a termly whole school RE days to provide the children with rich learning opportunities.
Art and DT	Art - Sketching Sketch/Paint animals from the Rainforest
French	I'm learning french Learning basic phrases, with correct pronunciation.
P.E	Personal Coping and reacting positively when things are difficult. Persevering with tasks. Challenging myself. Asking for help when needed.
Music	Charanga Unit 1 'Let your spirit fly' Study of music, musical terms and the structure and composition of music, including the following tracks: Let Your Spirit Fly by Joanna Mangona • Colonel Bogey March by Kenneth Alford • Consider Yourself from the musical 'Oliver!' • Ain't No Mountain High Enough by Marvin Gaye
PSHE	Being me in my world Attitudes and actions School community How does a democracy work? Understanding my actions Group decisions

PE

PE will be every **MONDAY** for all year 3 classes and children will need to wear their **full PE kit to school**. They will **not** be able to get changed at school.

Swimming

All classes will swim on **Thursday**.

Uniform

Children should be wearing black shoes. Black trainers are **not** acceptable. We would also like to remind you that necklaces, bracelets, large bows, bangles etc. are not part of the school uniform and therefore should not be worn. Nail varnish should also be removed.

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to a productive and happy year,

Yours faithfully,

Miss Kierans
Year 2 & 3 Phase Leader