



Welcome to Terms 3 and 4 Year 1 and Year 2

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome to Terms 3 and 4 at Borough Green Primary School.

Learning Curriculum

Maths: We will be following the strands contained within the National Curriculum for Maths for years 1 and 2. We are starting the term learning more about Addition and Subtraction, followed by 2 and 3 D shape. Year 2 will be going on to learn about money, multiplication and division.

Literacy: We will be reading books set in London, with a focus on 'The Queen's Hat', which will be our inspiration in writing lessons. The children have made an excellent start this year on developing their writing by using adjectives, adverbs, simile and powerful verbs in their writing. We will be continuing to develop these skills. This term we will be learning how to write persuasively. The children will be working towards producing an advertisement for London Zoo. We are having a big push on handwriting this term and are going to be focusing on correct letter formation. Year 1 will continue with the Little Wandle phonics programme. Year 2 will be reading a wide range of texts this year and focusing on the year 2 spelling requirements of the National Curriculum.

Geography: The driver for our topic work is a geography focused project called 'Big Lights Big City'. The children will recap the physical and human characteristics of the United Kingdom. We will be finding out about important landmarks in London and some of the historical events that led to their existence. We will be exploring the characteristics and features of the capital city, London.

Science: In science we will be looking at seasons, seasonal weather and events and seasonal changes. They will be learning about measuring the weather and the role of a meteorologist.

RE: We will be learning more about Judaism before developing our understanding of Christianity.

Art: In our art lessons we will be learning about printing (collagraph) and how to develop a motif to make single and repeated prints.

DT: We are really looking forward to learning about wheels, axles and chassis. We will learn how these work together to make a vehicle move. This will culminate in the children making their own models of a London taxi.

Computing: 'What is a computer?' Children will learn about computers and their different parts. They will learn new digital skills working with text and images and will create algorithms using Scratch Junior.

Homework

In terms of reading, your child will visit the school library each week where they will be given a free choice and bring home one library book each. Year 1 and some of Year 2 will continue to read their Little Wandle Big Cat ebooks. Most Year 2 children, will be bringing home an Accelerated Reader. Children on Accelerated Reader need to ensure they are really familiar with their book before returning it and completing a quiz. We recommend

they read picture books three times before returning them. This would not be the expectation for children on higher levels who are reading longer chapter books. All children have a Reading Record book which we ask you to comment in each time you hear them read. We love to hear your comments and value your feedback.

In term 3 we will be sending home a homework activity for each week. We will send these home on a Friday and would like them back on the following Friday. The activities will relate to what the children are learning in school. We hope they enjoy doing them!

Wellies

Please can you ensure your child has a **named** pair of wellies in school as we will be venturing outside when weather watching. We have racks in school for their safe storage.

PE

All Year 1 and 2 classes will have outdoor PE on a Monday and indoor PE on a Tuesday. Year 1 and 2 children will come into school in their PE kits. In term 3 BAY class are having cricket coaching on a Tuesday so both PE lessons will be outside. Wrap up warm! **Hair must be tied back and earrings removed or protected with tape during PE sessions. I would just remind parents/carers that staff are not able to remove and replace earrings.** Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit as follows:

Trainers or plimsolls

House colour T-shirt

White or Black PE shorts

Green track suit bottoms or black skins underneath the white shorts maybe worn for outdoor games in cold weather. Skins must not be worn without white shorts over the top.

All items of uniform need to be clearly marked with your child's name

Uniform

Uniform promotes a sense of belonging and equality. We expect our children to demonstrate pride in their appearance and respect for the school uniform. Please ensure your child is in correct uniform at all times.

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Grey tailored trousers or shorts

Grey skirt, pinafore dress

White shirt/polo shirt

White short-sleeved shirt/blouse

School bottle green round neck/V-neck sweatshirt or sweatshirt fabric cardigan

School tie (optional)

Black tights

Grey socks (white socks can be worn with dresses)

Green checked dress

Black shoes

Children should be well- presented and their white shirt/polo shirt must be tucked in at all times.

Children must wear sensible black shoes to school, NOT TRAINERS or BOOTS.

Makeup and nail varnish are not permitted. Excessive hair accessories or extreme hair styles or colour are also not permitted.

No jewellery except for one, small, stud earring allowed in each ear.

Analogue watches are encouraged but SMART watches are not allowed.

Many items are available from the school office. To order uniform please click on the link <https://www.brigade.uk.com/parents/> or visit the uniform section on our website.

The Parent and Teachers' Association also runs an excellent second-hand uniform shop on site.

School helpers

We are always very grateful for any help with reading, art activities etc. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact the school office in order that a DBS check can be completed. This also applies to any grandparents who wish to get involved too.

Lunch boxes and snacks

If your child has a packed lunch please make sure that you are providing a healthy lunchbox (see below for ideas). **If you choose to send in a playtime snack please send only fruit and/or vegetables. Please note we have a child who has a peanut allergy so please do not send in any foods that contain nuts.**

Book Bags, Pencil Cases and Water Bottles

A few children are still bringing rucksacks into school. Just a reminder that children must use a school book bag as we do not have the space to accommodate rucksacks etc.

Rucksacks are also causing the locker doors to break. Children rarely need to bring anything into school that requires larger bags and we will let you know when they are. At such times a plastic bag will suffice. Please do not send a pencil case into school as items get easily lost.

Mrs Austen (Year 1 Myrtle class teacher)

Mrs Wibroe (Year 2 Bay class teacher/KS1phase leader)

Pack your child a **HEALTHY LUNCH BOX**



Choose a variety of foods from each food group

Fruit	
+	
Vegetables	
+	
Dairy	
+	
Wholegrains	
+	
Lean meat & alternatives	
=	A Healthy Lunch Box



**MAKE WATER
YOUR DRINK**

**PACK ICE BRICKS
TO KEEP FOOD
COOL**

**USE A THERMOS
TO KEEP FOOD
WARM**



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