



LEARNING LETTER

Class 3

Mrs Gregory and Mrs Brown
Autumn Term 1 - 2026



CRA**V**E CURRICULUM: History – Kings, Queens and Castles.

Welcome to Class 3!

We hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready for an exciting new adventure in Class 3.



OUR SCHOOL VALUE THIS HALF TERM IS...Pride.

This half term we will be learning about an exciting new topic...Kings, Queens and Castles! Class 3 will learn all about royalty, knights, fortresses and life in the past through stories, role-play, art, model-making and investigations. We will explore what castles looked like, who lived in them and the roles of kings and queens, helping the children to develop their understanding of history and the world around them.

In Maths we will be focusing on place value. The children will deepen their understanding of tens and ones, learn to partition numbers, compare and order amounts, and build confidence with reading, writing and representing two-digit numbers through practical activities, games and resources.

In English we will be immersing ourselves in the delightful story of Stanley's Stick by John Hegley. Through this unit the children will develop their reading comprehension, expand their vocabulary, practise storytelling and create their own imaginative writing, all inspired by Stanley's special stick and the adventures it sparks.

SUPPORTING LEARNING AT HOME

Reading homework – Don't forget to bring book bags to school daily! Children will be able to take a reading for pleasure book home every Monday, and will get new Read, Write, Inc phonics books every Friday. Please do hear your children read these books as often as you can. They are always so proud when they have learnt to read their book fluently. Becoming a fluent, confident reader takes lots of practise and the reading you all do at home makes a huge difference to your child in school!

Please also write in your child's diary for each read, as the children collect points towards the Reading Olympics awards for every read. 20 reads gain a bronze award, 30 a silver and 40 a gold and 50 is platinum – I am sure that every child in Class 3 will be super proud of themselves this half-term for achieving one of these awards! Children also collect Dojos for reading at home.

Maths homework – Practice makes perfect! Please practise counting and fluently recalling 2x, 5x and 10x tables facts at home.

Topic homework – See the topic homework ideas grid for a selection of things for you to have a go at to develop your learning. Do remember to send homework to school, quality homework is worth 5 dojos!

GENERAL REMINDERS

PE will be every Monday and Wednesday, and this half-term we will be learning how to play basketball. Please send your child to school in their correct PE kit and remove any earrings on PE days to ensure that they can participate safely.