



To help you to support your child in having a smooth transition to their next class in September, we feel the the following information will assist you.

Please also note that a wealth of information, such as school policies, can be found on the school's website.



Uniform

All children should wear the correct school uniform. This includes the school's indoor and outdoor PE kit. All uniform should be labelled.

Please note, as per policy: children <u>must</u> wear a charcoal grey jumper/cardigan and the school's charcoal jogging suit with school logo that can only be purchased from Whittakers, Southport. This forms part of the school's safeguarding procedures so it is important that all our families abide to this.

For further information regarding the school's uniform, please read this policy:

PE Kit

All children will access two hours of allocated PE time per week. However, additional opportunities can arise where PE kits will also be required so they **must** be in school each and every school day.

If a child is unable to take part in a PE lesson, a note should be written from the parent/guardian to the child's class teacher.

For further information regarding the school PE kit, please read the following policy:

http://www.trinitystpeters.org/serve_file/207548



<u>Swimming</u>

Year 3 will attend swimming sessions at Formby Pool in the Autumn term. Formby Pool and Sefton Aquatics Team have strict rules regarding swimwear for school swimming lessons.

Children will require:

- A swimming cap.
- Tight fitting swimming trunks/shorts (no baggy shorts) or a one piece appropriate swimming costume.
- A towel.
- All items must be labelled and in a bag marked with the child's name and class.

No earrings or jewellery are permitted.

Homework

All children will receive reading books to read at home each week. Reading should be recorded in the child's reading journal as well as any additional age appropriate texts that are read at home (which we encourage).

In addition to this, your child will receive spellings to learn each week. These are taken from the new National Curriculum and will be set every **Friday** and tested each **Thursday**.



Regular practice of times tables and number bonds will benefit and support your child's mathematical knowledge and understanding.

By the end of Year 3, National Curriculum expectations are that children should recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2,3,4,5,6,7,8 and 9 multiplication tables.

The 'Times Table Rockstars' and 'Sumdog' apps/websites are particularly effective tools to cement these essential number facts.

Please remember to check the 'Children' section of the school website as there are many useful websites and tutorials available that are appropriate for each key stage.

Sharing and reading books with your child is one of the most important activities you can do at home.

This can start before they begin in Reception and can continue through school even when they are fluent readers themselves. It does not have to be a school reading book, any reading material – from comics to football magazines – all help to improve their understanding of the written word and develop vocabulary.

On the 'Children' section of the school website there are links to Phonics games which will support learning. For further information, see the following link:

http://www.trinitystpeters.org/page/key-stage-1/39116



Punctuality and Attendance

School starts promptly each morning at 8.50 am.

However, we open the school doors from 8.40 am.

During this time children from Year 2 to Year 6 complete '4 a day' calculations which impacts positively on children's arithmetic skills.

Attendance of 95% for the year equals 10 days that your child has been absent, that is 2 full school weeks of your child's learning missed for that year.

Attendance of 90% for the year equals 19 days that your child has been absent, that is almost 4 school weeks missed.

Attendance of 85% for the year equals 29 days that your child has been absent per, that is almost 6 school weeks missed.

Punctuality matters

Being frequently late for school adds up to lost learning,

- Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to over 3 days lost each year
- Arriving 15 minutes late every day adds up to 2 weeks absence a year
- Arriving 30 minutes late every adds up to 19 days absence a year

Leave of absence

Children are in school for 190 days. This means there are 175 days for holidays etc. The school no longer has holiday forms in operation. Only applications for exceptional leave should be given to the school. Any child whose absence has been unauthorised for longer than 4.5 days will result in a fine for the parents. This is the Department for Education's policy which the school <u>must</u> adhere to. Ofsted will also ensure the school complies with this.

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Which door can the children enter through?

Children will enter through the Y3 class door on the KS2 playground.

Which door can the children leave through?

Children will leave through the Y3 class door on the KS2 playground.



Behaviour and Anti Bullying Posters

These posters have been created by the pupils for the pupils. These posters are in line with the school's values and are displayed and referred to throughout the school.







During the school year you may need to contact the class teacher. You can do this by:

- Note or letter
- Telephone call
- Meeting
- Email admin@tsp.sefton.school FAO: Y3 Class teacher

A member of staff will endeavour to respond within 48 hours.

Class teachers are available to meet with parents between the hours of 8.15 am and 4.30 pm at a mutually convenient and agreed time.



At the end of most school days, class teachers will be on the playground dismissing their class.

Every Friday, class teachers update their class blog with highlights from children's learning that week. See the below link:

http://www.trinitystpeters.org/blogs/grade/3082

We also use Twitter to celebrate learning. Please follow your child's class:

@Year3TSP

Themes 2019 / 2020

Autumn 1 – The United Kingdom

Autumn 2 – British History Heroes

Spring 1 – Our European Neighbours

Spring 2 – The Maya

Summer 1 – The Rainforest

Summer 2 – What can we find out about Ancient Egypt?