



Scalford C of E Primary School

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Dear Base 3 Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the children (and many of you) after the summer break. We've had a good start to the year and the children have already been working hard.

Thank you for the input you may have given to the holiday activities we set. The artworks look wonderful and they will all be on display shortly. It has also been great to hear about all the letters that have been sent, the books that have been read and the new experiences that the children have had in the holidays.

As many of you will know, Mrs Leonard had a second operation on her knee during the break from which she is recovering well. However, she is still in a leg brace and will not be back at school for at least a couple of weeks. In the meantime, Jane Clissett has stepped into her shoes.

Other staff helping in Base 3 at various times will include Mrs Wigley, Mrs Lee, Ms Lee and our new member of staff, Mrs Riley. In PE, we will have the support of a number of specialist outside providers.

A bit of house-keeping:

- Curriculum – on the other side of this letter is a rough outline of what we'll be covering this term.
- Homework – we will usually try to get everything onto one sheet. It will be handed out on a Friday and due back in the following Friday. This will include times tables, reading, spellings to learn and something else which will vary from week to week. Spellings are tested on the homework's due date.
- Reading – we encourage the children to read as much as they can, ideally a little every day. This might be to themselves or with an adult. Please encourage the children to record all their reading in their Reading Record books which should be brought to school every day. We will also continue to run reading workshops for children and parents together on Friday mornings.
- PE is on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but it helps if PE kits are in school all week as there are occasionally other opportunities to get active.
- Base 3 Cross Country Club will start later in the term. Watch this space...
- We say it a lot, but please label everything – it's so useful. (Brilliant easy stickers that go through the laundry here: <https://www.mynametags.com/>)
- Birthdays – we love to celebrate birthdays but we also encourage you to be imaginative when it comes to gifts for the children and try to avoid sugary treats!

Lastly, if you ever want to talk to us about anything, feel free to pop in any day after school, or email us.

Pete and Andrea Leonard, Base 3

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