



# Ashley Junior School

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4th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Welcome to Year Three!**

As a team, we would like to welcome you to Ashley Junior School. We would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the curriculum coverage for the Autumn Term. Please find the curriculum web attached which outlines the learning objectives for our new topic 'Giraffes Can't Dance'. We hope that the following information will enable you to provide support and encouragement for your child.

## **Parent Consultations**

Parent telephone consultations have been arranged for **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October**. Time slots will be available between 3:40pm – 6:00pm. Appointments can be made via your child's online account [www.scopay.com/login](http://www.scopay.com/login) from Friday 18th September or contact the school office.

Your child will be bringing home their **Reading Record, Doodle Spell & Maths (online maths learning)** password soon.

The home learning requirements for Year 3:

## **Reading Record**

Children are expected to read daily for at least 10 minutes and record their thoughts and feelings in response to what they have read in their Reading River Record. The expectations for this will be shared and modelled with the children during the first week of term ready for this to start week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September. The children's work in this book will go towards selecting the 'Star Reader' for Starling, Kestrel and Wren Class. A 'Star Reader' will be chosen, celebrated and mentioned in the weekly newsletter.

## **Spelling**

Your child will be asked to practise their spellings weekly on a programme called 'DoodleSpell'. The programme builds your child's spelling confidence and ability as it is tailored to their individual strengths and weaknesses. This will only have an impact if they use 'DoodleSpell' at least three times a week for 10 minute per session.

## **Maths**

Your child will be expected to access 'DoodleMaths,' an online Mathematics platform that is designed to challenge and inspire children on their Mathematical learning journey. We recommend completing at least three times per week for 10 minutes sessions.

### **School Trips**

It is our intention to plan for school visits as normal but as we are sure you will understand this is a fluid situation because of Covid-19. You will receive separate communications for each trip and please consider dates and timings may differ from previous years.

### **P.E.**

P.E. will be on Tuesday. Children will need to come into school wearing their kit on the day. It will be acceptable in the colder weather for children to be in black or blue tracksuit bottoms along with their school jumper.

### **School bags**

Until further notice, there is no requirement to bring in a school bag. All equipment will be provided. Any work going home will be in a zip lock bag.

### **Snacks and Water bottles**

Given the Covid situation, we politely request **ALL** children have a named water bottle in school. Please ensure that these are not filled with squash or fizzy drinks, as only water is permitted. These will need to return home and be washed each day. Fruit and vegetable snacks are welcome, but we request that no other type of snack is provided. Milk can be purchased through the cool milk scheme [www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/school-lunches/](http://www.ashleyjuniorschool.co.uk/school-lunches/). Alternatively you may be entitled to free milk.

### **Communication with Parents / Carers**

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19, access to the site will be limited for parents and guardians so the opportunity for a 'quick chat' at the beginning or end of the day will be impossible but we do wish to keep the lines of communication open. Therefore, please use our class emails to get in touch with us about anything you feel you need to discuss and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

- [starling@ajs.hants.sch.uk](mailto:starling@ajs.hants.sch.uk)
- [wren@ajs.hants.sch.uk](mailto:wren@ajs.hants.sch.uk)
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Yours faithfully,

**Year 3 team**