

Year 3 and Year 4 Welcome Information



- Teachers Mrs. Jill Robertson (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)
 Mrs. Janine Gray (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday).
- Teaching Assistants Mrs. Sarah Dickinson & Mrs. Amanda Cave

<u>Class 2 Class Contract</u>

On our first day in school, we worked together to create our very own classroom contract. We also reminded ourselves of the Christian Values here at Broomhaugh:

- Respect
- Truth
- Kindness
- Forgiveness
- Thankfulness

We also follow the Calm School Code:

SPEAK NICELY

- LISTEN CAREFULLY
- ACT KINDLY
- MOVE CALMLY



Reward Systems

We focus on promoting positive behaviour and want to recognise all of the fantastic things the children do. We also want to reward children for being enthusiastic, making the right choices, learning from mistakes and having a go at new things.

Daily Reward Opportunities:

- Raffle tickets
- Class Cubes Jar
- School 360 Avatar points

Weekly Opportunities:

- Celebration Certificates



What is the Class Cubes Jar?

Children can earn points for their whole class.

Each point is worth a cube.

When the jar is full the class can then bank 15 minutes of 'Privilege Time' to enjoy at an agreed time.

Children can choose to do a whole range of things during this special privilege time.



Reading

We love to read and promoting a love of reading is at the heart of our school, it underpins so many areas of learning and helps children to access and develop so many other skills. We work closely with all of our families to ensure this continues at home. We want all of our children to engage with and experience a wide range of texts including fiction, non fiction, newspapers, magazines, e-books etc.

- Reading diaries and their reading book (even if your child is now reading books from home) need to
 be brought into class every day. Reading diaries will be checked weekly.
- The children will take part in Guided Reading once a week.
- Children enjoy listening to a story together each day.
- Please support your child to read every night. Whilst many children are confident readers already, reading aloud is an important skill to practise. Sharing books and stories, discussing characters, plots and facts are all important parts of developing a good understanding of reading as well as the technical skills. Don't forget to read to your child too, this helps to model expression and enjoyment.
- Reading should be recorded daily in the reading diaries at home.



- Our P.E. sessions are on Wednesdays (outdoor PE am/swimming pm).
- Please make sure children have a labelled PE kit, including their PE shoes (trainers). They need dark shorts, a white t-shirt, a dark jumper/hoody/ joggers and spare socks. This kit should stay in school.
- No jewellery to be worn.
- Hair needs to be tied up.
- Tracksuit bottoms/leggings for outside PE. As much of our P.E. as possible is outdoors so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately and has the correct kit at all times.

Medicinal Information

- Medical forms updated if necessary (asthma, allergies etc).
- Please fill in a medical form if your child needs regular medication or if it is a one off/short-term occurrence.
- Medical forms are available at the office.

Home Time Pick Up

Any changes to normal pick up arrangements please contact the school via E-mail or phone prior to home time.

Multiplication Tables

Each child has a log in for Times Tables Rockstars (available online or as an iPad/mobile app). This is an excellent way for the class to develop their confidence and abilities in times tables, which will also help their progress in Maths.

The more the children practise, the faster their recall. This will support so many other areas of maths so please encourage and support your child to access this frequently as well as practising in other ways (pencil and paper, games, chanting, songs etc).

There will be a Times Tables Quiz every Friday (this will not start till the week beginning 20th September). More details will follow.

In June 2022, Year 4 children will take the Multiplication Tables Check. This is undertaken on an iPad, with the children having 6 seconds to answer each question and 3 seconds in between each question. There will be 25 questions in total taken from a range of tables up to 12 x 12.



Rise and Shine – Morning Activities

Rise and Shine! We start each day in Class 2 with a variety of skills-based activities which include: times table practice, spelling, guided reading and journal writing.

Spellings

- Spellings will be given out each Monday using a Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check.
- Remember spelling practice does not mean just filling in the sheet. Please feel free to explore lots of engaging ways for your child to practise spellings such as mirror writing, chalking outside, on whiteboards etc.
- Spelling Test will be a Monday, so children have one week to learn their weekly spellings.



Coming soon...Homework Menu

School will soon introduce an optional homework menu:

- Each child will be given a homework book and within this an optional homework menu. The menu will change every half term. Your child will receive recognition for each piece of optional homework they complete during that half term and it will be celebrated in school.
- Homework books can also be used as a reading scrapbook. Anything you have read with your child can be added to this e.g. leaflets, magazines etc. There will be further information about this in your child's homework book.

How you can help...

- Read with your children daily. Explore a variety of styles of texts: fiction, non fiction, poetry etc.
- Ask questions about the book they are reading and encourage them to read with expression.
- Continue to practise times tables.
- Practice of weekly spellings.
- Writing longer passages, concentrating on handwriting and grammatical accuracy.

School Website

The school website is a great place to find out about:

- Diary dates
- Our Year 3/4 Class Page
- Timetables
- Photos
- Newsletters

Additional Information

- PE bags are to remain in school and must be in a drawstring bag due to space limitations in school.
- Named school uniform; including shoes and wellies.
- Remember wellies to go on the grass in all weathers.
- Coats for all weathers.
- Named water bottles and a piece of fruit for morning snack.



If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us. We will be at the classroom door at hometime at 3:15pm every day. Please feel free to call or e-mail school and one of us will respond as soon as possible.

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Thankyou for your continued support...

Mrs Robertson, Mrs Gray, Mrs Dickinson & Mrs Cave