

## Summer Term 2011

### Year 3

Dear Parents

Hello and a very warm welcome to the Summer Term 2011 at Calpe School. I hope you all had a pleasant and relaxing Easter break.

I did and it's great to be back here and starting into an exciting new term.

Throughout this term in Year 3 the topic we will be covering is:  
THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS. This will involve the following areas of learning:

SCIENCE:	The relation between the flooding of the Nile and the growth of crops.
HISTORY:	The development of Egyptian civilization.
GEOGRAPHY:	Location of the Nile and identification of physical and human features.
ICT:	Hieroglyphics.
ART & DESIGN:	Design and create a house from Ancient Egyptian times.
P.S.H.E:	Taking care of our environment.
MUSIC & DRAMA:	Dramatisation of the burial of a pharaoh and priests making offerings in the temple.

READING BOOKS/SPELLING: As in the Spring Term, the children will have daily reading and spelling homework. A weekly spelling list will be given out on Monday and there will be a test on these words each Friday.

HOMEWORK DIARY: Each child will have a homework diary to be signed by a parent. This is sent home each day, please check for new information. This diary is available for you to record any comments, feedback etc.

HOMEWORK: Again, there will be three homework activities each week. These will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and will be due in the following day. Each piece of work will be dated to make it easier for all of us! I would ask that all homework is completed INDEPENDENTLY by your child. It is very important to both your child and me, that the work is a true reflection of their understanding of the task and their ability to complete.

If a task cannot be carried out independently I must know. I will always accept work back incomplete that has caused a problem. There may be more work to do with your child on a specific concept or area of understanding.

Homework should be enjoyable and stress free for all parties concerned.

SPANISH HOMEWORK:

LENGUA - Monday to be returned on Wednesday

CONOCIMIENTO DEL MEDIO - Wednesday to be returned on Friday

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Year 3 will have their PE lesson twice a week, on Tuesday and Thursday. A full PE kit must always be in school on this day. (P.E. kits should be in a Calpe School P.E. bag and must include P.E. shorts. T-shirt and a pair of trainers). The sports kit and the trainers should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

SCHOOL UNIFORM: As you are aware, all children must wear the correct School Uniform at all times. Please ensure that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name. Items of uniform are mislaid on a daily basis due to their not being correctly labelled. School shoes must be black or navy blue and long hair must be tied back, at all times, with black or navy blue accessories. **Nail varnish and/or tattoos must not be worn at school.**

JEWELLERY: For safety reasons, jewellery is not allowed to be worn at school, except for stud earrings in pierced ears.

PENCIL CASES: Please provide a fully equipped pencil case to include 2 pencils, 1 closed sharpener, 30 cm ruler and a pack of coloured pencils.

SNACKS: All children should bring a snack for morning break. A snack might include a piece of fruit, a sandwich, portion of plain cake or a savoury biscuit. In line with our healthy eating plan, please do not send chocolate, crisps or sweets. Chewing gum is banned at Calpe School.

In order to minimize damage and to encourage children to take care of their belongings, reading books, reading records, school diaries and any homework should be placed inside and brought to school in an A4 Folder. The reading book, reading record and school diary should be brought to school every day. There are also Calpe School Book Bags available from the office as an alternative.

School begins promptly at 9.10 am and finishes at 4.pm. Please ensure that you deliver and collect your child promptly as late arrivals and collections can be very upsetting for your child as well as being disruptive to the whole class. If your child is absent for any reason please inform the office as soon as possible. If someone else who is unknown to us is collecting your child, please contact the office. The school must know, at all times, to whom they are handing over custody.

If you have any queries or concerns please feel free to speak to me - after school is preferable. For a longer discussion, please make an appointment either with myself or with the school secretary Miss Joanne.

I look forward to working with you and your child this term.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Kate.