

Year 3 - Autumn Term

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope you and the children have had a restful summer holidays and are now ready for the new school year. We have lots going on in the Year 3 class this term for the children to look forward to!

Autumn Term

Why do people choose to help others?



Children are naturally drawn to the exciting world of superheroes — capes, powers, and saving the day spark their imagination. While we'll tap into that excitement, our real focus is on helping learners discover the true heroes all around them: the people in their own communities who make a real difference every day. By learning about local veterans, community leaders, volunteers, and activists, children will begin to understand important values like empathy, civic responsibility, leadership, and service. These are not just abstract ideas — they are qualities that shape good citizens and kind, confident individuals. This topic should also help the children feel a stronger sense of belonging. When they see people from similar cultural backgrounds or even their own neighbourhoods doing great things, it helps them realise: *"I can do that too."* Hearing real stories of everyday changemakers empowers children and shows them that making a positive impact isn't just for grown-ups or fictional characters — it's something they can start doing now. By connecting classroom learning to the real world, we hope to inspire your child to see themselves as capable, valued members of their community — heroes in their own right.

The main Areas of Learning experience this half term are:

- Science and Technology—statement of what matters 2—design thinking.
- Humanities—statement of what matters 2—different and changing interpretations.
- Health and Wellbeing—statement of what matters 3—choices, decisions and goals.

Dates for your diaries

17/09/25 - **Community Hero Hub**—visitors from all walks of life are visiting Year 3 to speak about being community heroes.

10/10/25— **Morfydd Owen Festival**—for the 2nd year in a row we will be taking part in the Morfydd Owen lampshade parade. Parents are welcome to meet us in town and watch us walk the parade route. More information closer to the time.

Date TBC—**Parents Exhibition**—we are inviting parents in to view our work from this half term. Come and see our wonderful lampshade hats, photographs and work.



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Water

Please send your child into school with a water bottle labelled with their name. Please try and make this a different water bottle to the one in their packed lunch bag. Children should only bring water to school. **No squash or juice.**



General Reminders

- Children will be reading in class as often as possible. Please ensure that your child brings their book bag, reading book and reading record to school **every day**.
- The children will have P.E on a **Friday**. Please send a PE kit (tshirt and joggers/leggings) to school for your child to change in to. Your child will leave it in school and will bring it home each half term to be washed. They should wear their trainers to school. **No earrings** to be worn on these days.
- A homework grid will be given out at the start of each half term. Children may choose 1 activity per week and upload to Teams by each Friday.
- Your child will have a weekly spelling test though the details of this are currently being finalised. We expect words will be in line with our new phonics scheme "SoundsWrite".

Please remember you can keep up to date with school life by looking on our Facebook page.

If any parents have any experience or knowledge that would benefit our Autumn topic please let me know. We love inviting the school community into our classroom. These learning experiences are invaluable and can help create life-long memories.

We are still looking for donations of lampshades for our artwork linked to the Morfydd Owen lampshade parade. If you have any at home please send them in!
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Snack Reminder

If you choose for your child to bring their own snack please ensure it is labelled with your child's name and it is either a piece of **fruit, vegetable or breadstick** **ONLY.**

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to ask.

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