

## Reading

At Clayton Village, we want all children to be readers and it is a value we encourage. Not only for academics but more for joy and escapism from the everyday world.

Children in Year 3 should read at **least 3 times a week**. They do not need to read aloud to an adult but you are encouraged to ask your child questions about what they have read. We will have a weekly timetabled 'Book Talk' session where children and staff can share and recommend their favourite books. We will also have a DEAR (drop everything and read) session where children can enjoy their reading book. We will be visiting the library weekly on Fridays so your child will have another opportunity to select a book. Children will also be given a book from the classroom which they will need to bring into school everyday in their school bag.

## Water Bottles

Children are encouraged to bring water bottles to school as it is important that we are hydrated so we can work and be focused fully. Children are not to bring water bottles with spray functions on them.

These will be stored by the sink and children will be encouraged to drink these at playtime and lunchtime. If a child requires a drink during a lesson, it is the teacher's discretion to find a suitable time.



## Spring Term 2026

### Year 3 – Zaha Hadid

Happy New Year to you and your family. We are looking forward to seeing what 2026 brings!

Mrs Devanney will be teaching on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs Whitaker will be teaching on Monday and Fridays. They will also continue to have specialist teaching from Mr Waterman, Mrs Battye and Mrs Topley. Mr Kowel is our class TA.

A reminder for parents to name label absolutely everything your child brings to school including their lunch box (if they bring one).

## PE

Our PE is on a **Thursday** this year. Please come to school dressed in your full kit: black jogging bottoms and hoody top with a house colour t-shirt. Make sure that your water bottle is brought in and full especially on PE days.

## Autumn Curriculum

In History, we will be studying Ancient Rome. We will use archaeological evidence to learn about what life was like during this period of time.

In Science, we will be studying plants. We will be looking at what helps a plant grow and investigate different parts of a plant.

We will be taking part in lots of investigations to discover new things. In geography we will be learning about who lives in Antarctica? In Year 3, we will be having weekly ukulele lessons on a Tuesday.

For further information on other subjects, please check the class page on the school website to keep up to date with our medium term plan for Spring term.

## Important Dates

Career's Week- 9.2.26 (if you are interested in sharing your career with the children, please get in touch)

Valentine's shop- 13.2.26

Break up for Feb half term – 13.2.26

Back to school – 23.2.26

Parent's Evening- 11.3.26

Break up for Easter – 27.3.26