ST. PAUL'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 3 – PARENT GUIDE

Working together for a successful transition

Moving into Year 3 is an exciting milestone as children become part of Key Stage 2. They will enjoy new opportunities, greater independence and increased responsibility, whilst continuing to receive the support they need to thrive.

STARTING YEAR 3

Joining Key Stage 2
Children now become part of Key Stage 2.

More independence and responsibility
Children are encouraged to take more ownership of their learning and actions.

New opportunities across school
Exciting clubs, roles and events become available.

Preparing children for the Junior phase
Building skills, confidence and resilience for Upper KS2.

BUILDING INDEPENDENCE

In Year 3 children will be encouraged to:

- Bring their own rucksack.
- Use their locker independently.
- Organise and look after their pencil case.
- Take responsibility for the correct stationery (information sent to parents).
- Complete homework more independently.
- Use Google Classroom when required (instructions will be provided in advance).
- Develop responsibility for their own learning.
- Some children may begin writing in pen during the Summer Term.

OUR AIM IS TO HELP EVERY CHILD:

- Become organised learners
- Develop confidence
- Take responsibility
- Prepare for Upper KS2

NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Children can now:

- Join the Eco Council.
- Become a School Councillor.
- Represent St Paul's in sporting events.
- Join the Show Choir.
- Use the Junior Playground.
- Join a House and earn House Points.
- Take part in KS2 Sports Day.
- Snack Shack at break time on Fridays!

HOMEWORK

- English / Topic homework.
- Maths homework.
- Weekly spellings.
- Weekly times tables.
- Times tables practise is to prepare for the Multiplication Check in Year 4.
- Homework may be set on Google Classroom – instructions will be provided in advance.
- Homework handed out on Wednesday.
- Homework handed in by Monday.

WHAT STAYS THE SAME?

Reading diaries
3 entries each week.

Behaviour system
Our behaviour and reward system stays the same.

Communication with teachers
Communication with teachers stays the same.

High expectations and encouragement
We continue to have high expectations and celebrate success.

DAILY ROUTINES

- School dinners still selected by parents.
- Payments handled through the school office.
- Bring in a healthy snack for break time.
- 3J collected from the classroom door.
- 3P collected from the studio.

PENCIL CASE

Children are allowed to bring in their own pencil case. It should contain the following items:

Pencils | Handwriting pen | Whiteboard marker | Sharpener | Rubber | Ruler | Scissors | Glue stick

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Working together we can ensure your child has a happy, successful start to Year 3 at St. Paul's.