



# Welcome to Term 3



Dear Swans,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a restful Christmas break and enjoyed time to be with family and friends and recharged. I'd like to take a moment to thank you for the wonderful Christmas gifts you gave us – you were so very generous!

We are looking forward to continuing with all of the super learning from terms 1 & 2, continuing to develop our key skills in handwriting, reading and number, whilst also having plenty of fun and learning some exciting new things along the way!

If you have anything you wish to talk to us about, please do come and see us before or after school, or on our class email [swans@egerton.kent.sch.uk](mailto:swans@egerton.kent.sch.uk) Alternatively, we can arrange a meeting via the school office.

Mrs Gilbert and the Swans team

## What are the children learning in Term 3?

**English:** This term we will be writing using the stimulus 'Wombat goes Walkabout', learning about Australian animals along the way. We will also be creating our own leaflet for an Ice Planet Adventure Park! **You can support your child to form letters correctly to increase their speed and writing fluency.** We are also making sure that every sentence has a capital letter and full stop (or other punctuation) at the end.

**Maths:** We are heading back to the world of place value, focusing on numbers to 20 this time. We will expand our knowledge of teens numbers, including how we write these and commute number bonds of 10 to number bonds of 20. **Please support your child to know their number bonds to 10 efficiently.**

Children can bring in a bottle of **water** each day and a **healthy snack** for break time. **Pots MUST be clearly named.**



This term, children will be learning **Gymnastics** and **Invasion Games**. TeamTheme will be teaching one of these lessons.

**Please make sure PE kits are in school every day. PE lessons will be on Tuesday and Wednesday.**



### **RE: What is the Good News that Christians believe Jesus brings?**

We will be learning that at the heart of the Christian Gospel is the message of love. To Christians, Jesus demonstrates God's love for all people.

### **Science: Animals including humans**

This term we begin our topic that will see us through a few terms. We will begin to learn how we can group animals, classifying them by what they eat and describing them using key features.

*Check out the Year 1 Curriculum Map to find out more about the learning this term.*

Please make sure your child has a named coat, water bottle and their book bag with reading books in school each day.

Thank you!

### **Reading!**

Children should be reading at least 3 times a week at home. Please make sure that reading records and **BOTH** reading books are in school **every day**. **We are finding that there are often children without reading books in their bags.** Children may read within school with a member of the team or a volunteer at any time. RWI books will be changed every 3 days. Please jot down when your child reads at home – every recorded read will earn each Swan a house point!

### **Relationships and Sex Education**

This term we embark on 3 lessons of RSE learning. During this we cover the following objectives:

- To understand that we are all different but still can be friends.
- To discuss how children grow and change (from new born to adult)
- To explore different types of families and who to ask for help.

If you have any questions regarding the curriculum, please don't hesitate to ask.