

## Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Dear families,

We are very happy to be back for a new school year and hope your children have had an exciting, yet relaxing, summer holiday and are ready for all of the new challenges ahead. The Year 3 team consists of Mr Tilling, Mrs Cade & Mrs Tilling in 3PT and Miss Hunter, Mrs Kingsbury & Miss Lovett in 3AH.

One of the most important skills that we hope your children will gain in K52 is greater independence, so we ask that you say goodbye to your children at the side doors of the school building to allow them to be responsible for putting their book bags, lunch boxes and coats in the correct places. If you need to speak to us please speak to Miss Rorich in the office to make an appointment or contact us direct via the email addresses at the end of this letter. We will always try to get back to you as soon as we are able to.

At the end of the school day, children need to be collected by one of their listed adults outside the side door.

In the first half of the Autumn Term both classes will be reading Roald Dahl's book 'George's Marvellous Medicine' as the main inspiration for their English work with the expectation that they will write a number of texts inspired by the story.

In Geography, we will be finding out about 'Our Changing Nation'. This will have a focus on basic map skills investigating the main topographical features of the UK and how some of these may have changed over time.

In Science we will be investigating 'Forces'. This topic will focus on forces that are pushes and pulls and investigate magnets and magnetism.

Both classes will need their PE kits on Mondays & Thursdays. We suggest that as the term gets colder they have a tracksuit in addition to their shorts, t-shirts and trainers; spare socks would be a good idea too. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in their PE kits ready for PE. Please also check that all clothing, including coats are labelled with your child's name.

As KS2 do not get fruit provided we do recommend that children bring in a piece of fruit for their own break time snack, this can be kept in their lunchbox or drawer.

Water is essential so please ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school. Squash and other sugary drinks are not allowed in the classroom. We ask that bottles are refilled daily before registration. Children will also be reminded at lunch time.

Please make an appointment to speak with us if you have any questions or if you need to share any information about your child or home life which may have an impact on their learning.

You can contact your child's class teacher on the following email addresses:

<u>3pt@queensgateprimary.co.uk</u> <u>3ah@queensgateprimary.co.uk</u>

We look forward to working in close partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tilling & Miss Hunter,

Mrs Cade, Mrs Tilling, Mrs Kingsbury, Miss Lovett.