



Wednesday 10th September 2025

Re: 'Meet the Teacher' Follow Up Letter

Dear Year 3 Families,

Thank you once again for joining us for our *Meet the Teacher* session yesterday and for your continued engagement with the school. It was wonderful to see so many of you and to share the exciting learning journey that lies ahead for the children.

As the transition to Key Stage 2 brings some changes, we would like to clarify a few details:

- **Reading diaries:** The format used in Year 3 has been specifically designed for all children in KS2 and are intended to be completed independently, by the children. For the first term, the diaries will be kept in school and completed with the teachers to set clear expectations and support the children in adding more detailed reflections linked to 'book talk'. We will review this at the end of the term and communicate any changes with you in advance.
- **Geography home learning projects:** We are looking forward to seeing the children's work and celebrating it in school. Our curriculum is carefully designed to build on children's prior knowledge and make clear links across key stages. You may notice some similarities with the Year 2 projects, but while they are connected, they are not the same.
- **Spelling:** Due to an administrative error, some spelling lists were incomplete. Thank you for bringing this to our attention. This is being resolved today, and the spelling test will now take place at the end of next week, giving all children plenty of time to practise the new words. The lists are also available on the school website, as all the relevant information related to the curriculum and future events.
- **Year 2 SATs:** As of the academic year 2023/24, Year 2 (Key Stage 1) SATs are no longer statutory in England. Grazebrook Primary has therefore opted not to administer these tests to avoid any unnecessary stress at this stage in children's learning and development. This means that our current Year 3 children did not sit the tests.
- **Communication and support:** As a school, we have an open-door policy and always encourage parents and carers to get in touch with us about any worries, concerns or questions they may have. Your child's class teacher should always be the first point of contact as they can arrange a meeting with you after school as needed. The Senior Leadership Team is also available – please contact the school office, and a member of the team will be in touch within a couple of days. Children's progress will continue to be shared during parents' consultations, but if there are ever concerns about progress, attitude to learning, emotional development, or wellbeing, your child's class teacher will work closely with you throughout the term to provide support.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support. We are excited about the year ahead and look forward to working together to ensure every child flourishes.

Warm regards,
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