



Friday 12th June 2026

Dear Year 3 Parents and Carers

Welcome back after our half term break and we hope you are ready for our final half term of Year 3. We cannot believe just how quickly this year has gone – we hope your children have enjoyed their first year as a Connaught student and that rest of their time here is just as enjoyable! The Year 3 team are all so incredibly proud of the children and the progress they have made! They have grown in maturity, perseverance and creativity and we have loved being on their journey alongside them.

As the weather is becoming more unpredictable each week, please ensure your child comes to school with anything they made need such as a waterproof jacket, sun hat or sun cream. Children are not permitted to share sun cream with their friends, and they must be able to apply the sun cream themselves.

One of the key events happening this half term is their transition to Year 4. Transition day is scheduled towards the end of term and the children will all get the chance to meet their new Year 4 teacher. We understand this can be an exciting, and for some, an unsettling time, so the children will have the chance to discuss the upcoming changes with their current class teachers before the Transition Day. We will also be planning in extra transition sessions where appropriate. Please do speak to your class teacher if your child is at all worried about the move; it is very normal to feel nervous, but please remind them that nerves are incredibly similar to excitement! There was once a time when they were nervous to join us in Year 3, and look at them now!

Curriculum

Our History topic this term is “The Romans are Coming!”. This week, children took part in a Launch Day to kick start their learning and engage them in the upcoming topic; the children participated in a historical workshop run by Portals To The Past which is always amazing fun! This is a brilliant topic for the children to learn how their previous topic, the Stone Age to the Iron Age, leads into our next part of British history with the invasion of the Romans. We will be focussing on the Roman invasions, the role of Boudicca, the differences between the poor and the wealthy Romans and also how the Romans shaped our lives today.

English

In English, our main focus will be writing narrative story piece, based on our History learning of the Romans. This will be a great opportunity to showcase all of their skills they have learnt over the year, including their varied sentence openers, inverted commas for dialogue, adjectives and adverbs for description and possessive apostrophes. We will also be doing some more independent pieces throughout the term so the children can showcase what they have learnt over the year.

In our Grammar lessons, we are going to be learning how to express time, place and cause by using prepositions (e.g. before, after, during, in), use the present perfect form of verbs instead of the simple past (e.g. ‘He has gone out to play’ rather than ‘He went out to play’), learn how to begin using subordinate clauses, recap our knowledge of inverted commas (or speech marks) and develop a rich a varied vocabulary by using a thesaurus.

Mathematics

In Mathematics, the children will be learning about money: looking at the relationship between pounds and pence, converting pounds into pence and vice versa, adding and subtracting money, and calculating change. They will then focus on time: learning the months and years, hours in a day, telling the time to the nearest five minutes, using AM, PM and 24 hour time, looking at both analogue and digital times, and calculating durations of times using number lines. We will then be moving onto properties of shape, looking at 2D and 3D shapes, angles (including right angles, obtuse and acute), using rulers to draw accurate length lines, the definition of horizontal, vertical, parallel and perpendicular, and nets of 3D shapes.

PSHE

In PSHE (Personal, Social, Health and Economics) this term we will be looking at the unit, Changing Me. A separate letter detailing the content of this unit has been sent out so please do read this to ensure you are familiar with the content being taught. If you have any questions or queries about this, please contact your child's class teacher directly.

PE

PE is still timetabled for Tuesdays and Fridays. Please make sure everything is named so that we are able to quickly and easily reunite children with any misplaced items. Being active during P.E. is an important part of the message of healthy living that we promote at Connaught and we aim to encourage full participation in P.E. at all times. As the weather is now warmer, please make sure that the children have suitable shorts and t-shirts. However, we would always recommend for the children to bring layers just in case the weather does change, as well as a lightweight raincoat if possible. If you are aware that your child is sensitive to the sun, please send them to school equipped with a hat and sun cream and ensure that they are able to apply this themselves.

And finally...

We are always outside at the end of the day and available should you wish to speak to us. If you would like more time, a phone appointment or after school meeting can be arranged at a mutually convenient time. Please remember that the class email accounts are regularly monitored and this is often the best way to pass on quick notes or to ask questions. We always aim to foster positive relationships with our parents so if you have a question about anything at all, approaching us directly is the best way forward to ensure that you get the most accurate information possible. Please also ensure that any absences are recorded on **ParentMail** or **by telephone/answerphone** as this is where the office will check first.

Kind regards,

The Year 3 Team

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