



Date: 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Year Group: 3

### English:

Welcome to our new cohort of amazing Year 3 children. They have settled in well and are already starting to thrive at Alvaston Junior Academy. We have been reading a lovely story called, 'The Lost Happy Endings.' Children have been practising generating ideas and writing grammatically correct sentences based on the story. Many children have coped well with the transition to joined up handwriting. We thank you for your support in helping your children to practise neat, joined up writing.

Your child should have brought home a new homework book. The children have been set a 'Tic-Tac-Toe'. There will be a choice of 9 activities for them to choose. It enables the children to complete homework using a range of learning styles and family participation is very welcome. It will come out on the first week of term and will need to be returned on the last week of the half term. There is a special cup for the best quality homework.



### Maths:

Children have been revisiting some of the maths key performance indicators, based around arithmetic and place value. We are pleased with how they are trying to recall multiplication facts, but ask that you help to support them to improve, through regular questioning and practise. Bbe Supermovers Times Table Collection is also a great way for children to learn their x tables, and get fit at the same time.

We can't wait for the children to receive their new iPads. We shall let you know when they are ready, and we hope we won't have long to wait.

Teachers recently attended training for Real PE and we look forward to introducing it into our curriculum.

We are pleased that every class is given a coached additional lunch time club, provided by Premier Sport. Please watch out for an information letter about a Year 3 After School Multi Sports Club, which children will be able to attend for just £2.00 per session.

This week, we have introduced the new competencies that children should be focusing on in school. These include teamwork, cooperation, honesty and creativity. We shall be announcing weekly winners who will receive a prize, such as an additional playtime.