



**Academic Year 20/21**

## Transition to Year 3

**June 2020**

*Welcome to Year 3 Aslan Class! We are so excited to be welcoming you to our Tennyson family in September as you become a junior. Year 3 is an exciting year filled with adventure, cooking, learning to speak Spanish and so much more. Let's introduce you to the Year 3 team...*

### Meet the Teaching Team



**Miss Morecroft**

Miss Morecroft has been in Aslan class for the last two years where she has enjoyed teaching some of your older brothers and sisters! She loves being creative and cooking in the Walkley kitchen. Miss Morecroft is looking forward to taking you all on an exciting adventure exploring the Spanish-speaking world.



**Ms. Solinger**  
(Mon-Wed)

Ms. Solinger started at Walkley in 2018, in Y2 Stormwhales. After returning from maternity leave she moved to Y5 Varjak Paws. She is very excited to be working with the Y3 Aslans team and can't wait to help the Y3 children settle into KS2. Ms. Solinger has two children of her own and likes keeping active and being outdoors.



**Miss. Wieczorek**

Miss Wieczorek is looking forward to working with Y3 again next year. She already knows some of you from when you were in Y1 and can't wait to see you all again soon. As well as helping you in the classroom, Miss Wieczorek is a midday supervisor so keep an eye out for her on the playground!



**Miss Hudson**

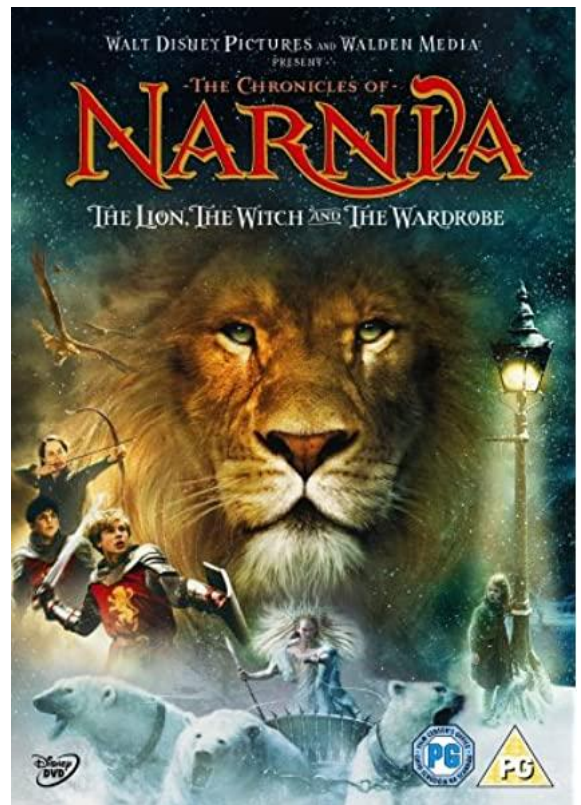
You already know Miss Hudson from this year. She is looking forward to moving over to Tennyson building to work with the Y3 team - it's a big move for her too! Miss Hudson is very excited to be working with you all again as you start your adventure into Y3. She can't wait to see you in September and see how much you've all grown!

## Our Class Name - Aslan

The name 'Aslan' comes from the fantastic book 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' written by C. S. Lewis. Aslan, also known as 'The Great Lion' is the creator and one true king of the magical world of Narnia. You may already know this brilliant book or have seen the film.

We will be reading the book together in class and will be getting creative in our first few weeks packing our suitcases and creating our very own magical wardrobes.

We can't wait to share our book with you!



## Our Classroom

Our classroom from September will be the HUGE Charlies' classroom from this year. Our neighbours will be the lovely Y2 Stormwhales. Here are some photos of what our learning zone will look like...



## A glimpse into the future...



## What will we be learning about this year?

### Our Y3 Topics:

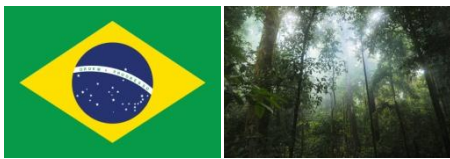
#### *Spectacular Spain*



#### *Hola Mexico*



#### *South American Adventure*



#### *The Land of the Pharaohs*



### *A day in the life of an Aslan:*

In Y3 we start our day with our 'Wake Up Brain Work' just like you would have done in *Gruffalos* and *Stormwhales*. We spend our mornings getting creative with our Literacy and mastering our Maths skills (with a break in between, of course). After lunch, we do our guided reading before setting off to explore the world! We practise our Spanish, cook up delicious treats in the Walkley kitchen, carry out science investigations and get active in PE.

*A typical day could look something like this:*

- 8:50 – Morning Work
- 9:10 – Literacy
- 10:15 – Assembly
- 10:35 – Break time
- 10:50 – Maths
- 12:00 – Lunch time
- 1:00 – Guided reading
- 1:30 – Creative Curriculum
- 2:45 – Spanish
- 3:15 – Home time

## What is the same and what is different?

Moving over to Tennyson building might feel like quite a big change but lots of things are just the same as in Burnaby building! We still have classwide rewards, golden book awards and do lots of our maths and literacy learning in just the same way. One exciting new part of being a junior is that you will be placed in one of our Walkley houses by Mrs Sian's magic sorting hat! This means that you will be able to earn house points for your superstar behaviour and your whizzy work.

Mr. Clements and Mrs. Jinkinson will still be busy collecting any worries in our worry box and helping us with those too.



## Ways you can prepare for life in year 3:

- Try to read every day over the summer holidays. It's great to get lost in a good book! When reading together, discuss the meaning of new words, how your child feels about the text, how the text is organised and how the writer has written the text. Encourage your child to explore their interests by reading texts from the Walkley virtual libraries, which can be accessed through the school blog, as well as reading a range of texts including different kinds of stories, newspapers, instructions, recipes, leaflets, information texts and poetry.
- Practise your 2, 5 and 10 times tables (this could be through playing on TT Rockstars), revise your number bonds to 10 and 100 and practise telling time using both digital and analogue clocks.
- Try to write a few times a week. A daily diary is a great way of writing each day and will also leave you with a lovely record of your summer. Or why not try writing a letter to someone in your family or a friend that you've not seen for a while? I'm sure it would brighten up their day to hear from you.
- Spend plenty of time outdoors - playing, exercising, maybe even exploring somewhere new – we live so close to beautiful countryside and there's so many places to see. Fresh air and exercise are so good for our physical and mental health.
- Complete the form attached for discussion for your return to school – we want to know about you and how we can help you learn.

*Most importantly, relax and re-energise so you return to school ready for what we know will be a fantastic year for you in your first year as a junior at Walkley.*

*We can't wait to see you and set off on our Year 3 adventure!*

*Take care,*

*Miss Morecroft, Ms Solinger, Miss Wieczorek and Miss Hudson x*



## *My Transition to Year 3*

The things I enjoy at school are \_\_\_\_\_

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The things I am interested in are \_\_\_\_\_

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The things I would like to improve are \_\_\_\_\_

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The things I like to have help with in school are \_\_\_\_\_

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My aspirations for the future are \_\_\_\_\_

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Some things I would like you to know about me are \_\_\_\_\_

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