



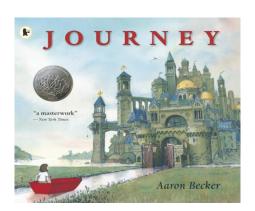
## St James - September 2025

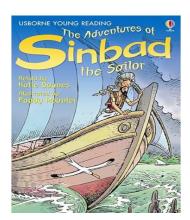
Dear parents and guardians,

Welcome back, Year 3! We hope you've had a wonderful break filled with fun and memory-making.

This term, we're kicking things off with an exciting dive into storytelling and imagination. Using the beautiful book 'The Journey', we'll be retelling a story from our own unique perspectives. We can't wait to see the incredible new tales you'll create! We're looking forward to an amazing term with Year 3!

English: We will be creating our own ending to the narrative 'The Journey' by Aaron Becker and also exploring the text 'Sinbad the Sailor'.





'Maps of the world' is our exciting new topic!

In Geography, we'll explore the oceans, continents, and the physical and human features of coastal areas.

Science: We'll be learning all about Animals, including humans. The children will understand the basic needs of animals—exercise, health, and a balanced diet—as well as the importance of cleanliness and germs.

RE: We'll explore the theme of duties - what are they? and what are mine? We'll also be linking this to PSHE, exploring the different duties of people in various countries, homes, and religions and cultures.











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PSHE: Children will discuss families, including differences and similarities, such as duties and values.

DT: The children will be making sculptures to design and make a landscape.

## **Personal Belongings**

Please ensure that everything is clearly labelled with your child's name, so we can return any lost items to the correct child.



## PE

In PE, children will be participating in outdoor sports where they will be learning lots about teamwork, coordination and resilience, as well as working on confidence and communication between peers. PE will now be every Thursday. Please ensure your child has their complete PE kit, including clothes appropriate for outdoor weather, and that it is back in school. All children should have no jewellery and hair up in PE lessons due to safety.

#### **Phonics Book**

Your child will read their phonics book five times a week at school and then bring their new phonics book home on Friday. This book is based on your child's phonics level, which has been decided from their assessment. Please ensure your child's previous phonics book is in school on Friday morning so we can issue their new one.

### **Accelerated Reader books**

Your child should read this book at home, either independently or with someone. They will take a reading comprehension quiz once they have read it a few times. The outcome of the quiz will then determine their next book.

## **Homework**

Each week, your child will be set homework. Every child has a blue homework folder, and this is where their homework will be. Please ensure all homework is returned to school the following **Thursday morning**. All homework handed in on time will get two dojo points. Your child can also access the online app Sumdog, which is a great

read
the more things
you will know.
The more that you
learn
the more places
you will go!
Dr. Seuss











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ClassDojo

math app. Logins for your child's Sumdog account can be found on the inside page of their reading record.

# Class dojo

Using Class Dojo for messaging will be replaced by Bromcom/MCAS this year, so if you need to contact a member of staff please use MCAS or call the school office on 01205 460547.

All important messages and letters will also be shared using Bromcom/MCAS as this is the system that all LAAT Trust schools use.

Class Dojo will still be used to record behaviour dojos which are given to the children for completing homework and good behaviour.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

St. James team 🕹









