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Year 3 Class Newsletter.

WELCOME BACK FROM YOUR
SUMMER BREAK FROM MRS
HOGAN AND MRS GILL.

Welcome to the new school year. We are very pleased to have all the children back in school and we are really enjoying teaching this lovely year 3 class. They seem extremely eager to learn which is a great start. No doubt some of you have had a busy summer, and are now looking forward to the new school year.

The Year Ahead:

In the coming year, we look forward to getting to know the children, and helping them learn and develop in a supportive, happy environment. We will no longer operate in year bubbles but will continue to give everybody a safe environment to work in.

We are sure that together we can help them to reach their full potential, and we believe this is the most important, and most rewarding, aspect of teaching.

Any queries, please email me(class emails are in the process of being set up), or email or telephone the school office, and we will get back to you asap!

It's smiles all round for a great year ahead in Year 3!



We are all set for an exciting and productive year. Below are some important things to note -

On a Wednesday, the class will be taught by the lovely Mrs Garnier, who has now returned from maternity leave.

Important days: Swimming on Tuesday and PE(outdoor) on Wednesday. Children should come to school in their full PE kit on Wednesday and bring their swimming kit in a labelled bag on Tuesday.

Weekly homework will be set on Teams, on Friday. New spellings will also be set on Friday and tested the following Thursday. The children will also be given a hard copy of the homework and the spellings if they need them.. Children will bring reading books home on a weekly basis, and need to read to you at least 4 times per week, in

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TOPIC: Our big question this year is, "Do humans live in harmony with the world?" and this term's question is, "How do humans use rivers?" We will be learning about the water cycle and what happens to water when it rains? We will also study the features of the Lake District and compare this with the Fens including looking at nearby counties and cities.

ENGLISH: We will be focusing on narrative writing, based on the book Flood by Alvaro Villa. We will study the importance of plots in narrative writing and look at plot points to build highs and lows in a narrative map.

We will also have focused spelling & grammar sessions.

MATHS: Our 1st topic is number and place value. The children learn to recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number and will compare and order numbers up to one thousand.

SCIENCE: The children will be learning about animals and humans. We will look at the importance of proper nutrition. We will also find out how different parts of the body have different functions.

RE: The children will discuss Hinduism and reflect on 'Big Questions' relating to religion and their own lives. Our Christian value this term is Hope.

order to improve fluency and understanding. Please sign their reading diaries, each time, to show they have read to you!

REMINDERS: Homework will start next Friday and will be set and reviewed, via Teams. Please support the children and make sure they complete the work set, on a weekly basis. When completed, please share via Teams, if possible.

Spellings: Word lists will contain specific spelling patterns as well as words from the National Curriculum Spelling Lists for Year 2 and Year 3/4.

Reading is important so that the children understand new vocabulary they come across and comprehend what the text is about, so ask them lots of questions when hearing them read in order to develop their inference skills. As highlighted earlier, don't forget to sign their homework diary as we need evidence that they have read to you!

Times Tables: In Year 3, children need to learn their 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables and revise their 2s, 5s and 10s. They can practise this at home using TT Rockstars which they will have their own logins for. **KIRFS:** Children will also be given a set of Key Instant Recall Facts(KIRFs) to support the development of the mental skills that underpin much of the maths work in school.

Please look on the Year 3 class page, on the school website, for the link to useful extra learning resources.