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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for another exciting year!

Our curriculum this academic year is:

SUBJECT	TERM 1
Science	Light
Computing	E-Safety Touch typing
Art	Sculpture based on Gaudi's work.
D.T.	Pneumatics
Music	Charanga /Singing
R.E.	What do Hindus believe about God? Hindu Worship Advent
History	Stone Age and Iron Age
Geography	Arctic and Antarctic
French	Phonetics / Classroom instructions / Greetings / Animals

In English, we will be working on a range of skills during writing lessons. We will use Reading Plus to enhance comprehension and reading skills for those children ready to progress with this. Others will be completing their Little Wandle programme first. Our class novel will also involve us reading together and discussing a text.

In Maths, we will be following the National Curriculum as well as working on arithmetic skills every morning. We will be targeting aspects of maths that the children are less secure in, such as times tables, number bonds and place value.

Spellings will be given half-termly and tested towards the end of every week. Children will be encouraged to focus on a range of spelling patterns, not just the specific words given in a list. We will give spellings based on the Y3/4 spelling list from the National Curriculum. Your child should already have a list of this half term's words in their homework book.

If your child is completing Little Wandle, their weekly spellings will be linked to this group work.

Homework will be given out on Tuesday each week to be handed in the following Monday. The grid inside the homework book gives a selection of activities for children to choose from. Children should complete one activity per week. We appreciate that there may be rare occasions when your child is unable to complete homework; it would be helpful if you could write a note inside their homework book.

Further to this, we also ask that you continue to read regularly with your child and make any comments in their reading record. The fortnightly 'reading raffle' will continue through the year once again. Every child who has their reading record signed by an adult **at least four times during the week** will receive a reading ticket, with each class drawing a winner who is able to select a book prize during our celebration assembly.

The children will be required to come to school in their PE kits on their PE day, see below. PE kits include; white t-shirts/black shorts/tracksuit bottoms and school jumper and trainers.

P.E. lessons will take place on:

Y3 Miss Cook Wednesday

Y3 Miss Sunderland Monday (with Guy Sweetman)

Please make sure all items are clearly labelled on the children's uniform, P.E. kits, coats, shoes, trainers etc. We have a huge amount of items that are put in lost property but are unable to be returned to their rightful owners.

In addition, both of our Y3 classes will be going swimming for a series of five Thursdays. You should have already received a letter about this.

Thank you in advance for your support and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Parents evening dates are Monday 23rd and Wednesday 25th October.

We look forward to working with you all!

Yours sincerely,

The Year 3 Team

Miss Sunderland and Miss Cook