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Welcome back!

We had a very enjoyable day in the week before half term in the woods. Many thanks to all those parents and relatives who came along to help us out. The next half term promises to be very busy with lots to learn about the Stone Age and then at the end of term our Y3 children will be at the centre of the Christmas service.

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Homework

This half term, children need to continue to:-

1. Practise times tables in preparation for a weekly test. They should be able to recall facts quickly, in and out of order, to answer questions both in writing and orally.
2. Read at home to a grown up five times a week.
3. Practise spellings that are in the Home School Contact Book.

Reading

Thanks to those parents who helped with reading last half term in school.

However, we do need more parents who can help with reading in both classes. A few parents who can come in one morning every week for half an hour at the start of the day would be greatly appreciated.

Please remind your child to change their reading book at the start of the school day or after school if they need to do so: the library is available for changing books from 8-30am until 9-15am, and from 3pm.

Individual Learning Targets

We will be setting and sending out revised individual learning targets for reading, writing and

numeracy. A copy of these targets will be sent home to you together with a review of your children's previous targets. Ask your child about their new targets and how they are going to try and achieve them!

PE

Please ensure that your child has a named PE kit in school every day. We will be doing a unit on dance which will link up with the story we will be doing in Literacy: The Pied Piper of Hamelin. There are also various sports clubs at lunchtimes which we encourage children to join.

Indoor PE will continue to be on a Monday.

The children will swim on Friday afternoons for this half of term (6 sessions in total). They can come to school on Friday in school track suits, otherwise wear school uniform as normal.

Curriculum Content

In literacy our trip to the woods will help us to write reports. We will then be returning to story writing. In art the children will practise various techniques for painting and collage which will be based around our Woodland visit. In science we will learn about forces and magnetism.

Stone Age days.

On Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th of November we will devote two days to learning about life in the Stone Age. These will be non-uniform days and children will probably get a bit muddy and dirty as we will spend time outside.

Lateness

Please ensure your child is in school by 8-45 prompt so that they do not miss out on valuable reading time. Guided reading groups and activities get underway as soon as the register is taken.

Thank you for your continued support.

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