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Hello, we hope you all had a good Christmas holiday and have enjoyed the New Year celebrations! Welcome back and as always we will try and keep parents / carers informed of all the latest developments as and when they happen. Please do not hesitate to come in and discuss any issues you may have.

We welcome any new ideas and initiatives!

Following is a curriculum overview i.e. what will be taught in the year 3 class during this term:

Literacy:

During the first part of the half term pupils will be studying techniques used to create suspense and engage the readers. They will be looking at how the stories vary, depending on whose perspective they are looking at from. This will be followed by planning and writing their own stories.

Next pupils will be looking at the features of explanation texts and creating a checklist of what needs to be included. They will then plan and write their own explanation text about how shadows are created.

Numeracy

During this term pupils will be revising times tables and then studying efficient written method of multiplication and division.

Children will also be gathering data, using information to draw tables of results, drawing pictograms, interpreting them to answer questions and bar graphs, which will be used to answer questions.

ALL children need to work on developing their knowledge of 2,3,4,5 and 8 time tables and be able to use these to work out related division facts.

Topic:

In the first part of the term pupils will study how we see things and develop their understanding of light and shadows.

Next, children will be studying the life in Roman Britain. Studying what life was like before the Romans arrival and how it changed.

Computing:

Pupils will be studying the use of animations. They will then create a simple freeze frame animation.

Moral and Social:

Pupils will reflect on themselves as individuals, particularly their strengths as learners and how they learn most effectively. Will look at taking responsibility and building feelings of confidence and self-

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opportunities for children to consider making balanced choices about their goals and practice problem solving strategies

Spellings: children will be given a list of spellings every Monday (full list is also available on the class page on the school website). They may practice these at home too as they will be tested every Friday.

P.E kits:

Year 3 children have been allocated P.E slots on Thursday and Friday. I would like to request that all parents please ensure that pupils wear the correct P.E. kit to school every Thursday and Friday.

Reading at home:

Children have been advised to read 5 times a week. This would help the children to improve their reading and comprehension skills. Please ensure that reading books and reading records are signed and brought in everyday.

Home Work:

Children will be given a homework project based on Romans. The homework needs to be brought in on the 9th February. Grammar homework is sent home every Monday and must be returned on Thursday. Maths homework is sent home every Thursday and must be handed in on Mondays.

Thank you,

Mrs Khalid, Mrs. Berry and Ms Butt.