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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 3! I hope you have had a great summer holiday. It has been fantastic to meet many of you in the playground so far, thank you for coming and introducing yourselves. For those of you that I haven't met yet, I look forward to doing so soon.

Our first learning journey in Year Three is 'The Stone Age,' focusing on prehistoric life and how our surroundings have changed since then. In English, we will be reading 'Stone Age Boy' together, using Talk for Writing techniques to act out the story and write our own version. We will also continue to develop our knowledge and understanding of grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) and reading using inference and deduction skills in Guided Reading and during weekly spelling tests. In Maths, we will focus upon number, revisiting place value and extending our knowledge to hundreds and thousands, then moving on to the four main operations. In Science, we will be learning about teeth and nutrition in animals and humans.

We have PE on a Tuesday this term, learning new skills whilst following an exciting new scheme of work. On Thursday afternoons, we have yoga. Please ensure your child has their full named PE kits in school on those days (including trainers or plimsolls) and remind your children to take their kits home when suitable for washing. If your child has pierced ears, please can they either not wear their earrings to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays, or be able to take them out, as we are unable to allow the children to wear any jewellery for PE. Newly pierced ears can be taped at home on these days as long as you let me know. If your child is unable to do PE for any reason, please inform me in writing or tell me personally.

Homework will be set on Fridays to be returned the following Wednesday. It will usually be an online MyMaths task, spellings to learn, and a small written homework linked to our English and Topic learning for the term. Homework will be stuck in Homework books to complete unless otherwise stated. Reading Records have also been given to the children – please talk to your child about how these work and let me know if there are any questions about these.

**Please note there will a 'Welcome to Year Three' presentation for parents and pupils on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> September at 3:30pm– all welcome!**

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to see me.

Yours sincerely,

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