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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have had a fantastic summer and are excited for the autumn term.

Writing and Reading

During the Autumn Term, Year 3 will delve into the story of the Stone Age Boy. Alongside exploring the narrative, children will craft their own tales inspired by the story and explore instructional texts about catching stone age animals. Our Book Club discussions will also revolve around "The Stone Age Boy," offering a platform for comprehensive discussions on the class text. Additionally, the children will be summarising key pieces of text from the story.

Maths

In Mathematics, the focus will be on place value, with the children developing their knowledge of hundreds, tens and ones. They will be learning how to partition a number using a part whole model. A big focus of the Autumn term will be addition and subtraction skills. The children will be considering how to add 3-digit numbers together using strategies such as column addition. In our subtraction work we will begin to learn about exchanging and when this is needed to help you solve a subtraction.

PE

PE sessions will comprise of two sessions per week featuring both netball and fundamental skills. This half term P.E. will be on a Tuesday. These sessions may be outdoors unless it is rainy. P.E. sessions will need the correct kit including house coloured t-shirts paired with plain blue or black shorts, leggings, or joggers without logos or team branding. To ensure children always have their kit with them they may leave their kit in school throughout the week.

Uniform

Now that the children are in Year 3 there is more onus on them to be looking after their own possessions and clothing. Please ensure you write your child's name into all items (including indoor footwear/plimsolls) as it makes it easier to return any lost items. Now that it is getting colder and wetter, it is important your child has a pair of sandshoes in school that they can wear inside. I have several pairs of sandshoes which don't have a name inside and the children don't think they belong to them so if you are missing any sandshoes then please pop and see me.

Homework

Spellings will be handed out every Monday and the children will be tested the following Monday. To practise the spellings, children need to follow the 'look, cover, write, check' method. The spellings given out will all be words which are commonly used in our writing so are high frequency words for Year 3.

Reading: Children should be reading at home at least three times a week. This can be their levelled school book or their library book. If you read at home then please sign your child's reading record to show this. Reading books will be checked every **Monday** to ensure that children are practising their reading. All books will also be changed if needed on a **Monday**.

If you have any questions then please feel free to pop and see us.

Many thanks,

Miss Horner & Mrs Richardson

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