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## Hello Summer Term!

Welcome back to the beginning of the Summer term. It has been lovely to see Class 3 return to school with a fantastic and positive attitude to learning and we have made an excellent start to our learning journey. It was nice hearing about the time they spent with their families over the Easter break.

## Our global theme

This half term our global theme is 'Our Heritage'.

This theme is the golden thread this half term. Each academic year, the children build upon this learning to deepen their understanding. In Year 3, we will be learning about how our heritage is important in the wider world and consider ways in which we should value and preserve it.

## Our core texts



*Leo and the Gorgon's Curse* by Joe Todd Stanton and *Greek Myths* by Geraldine McCaughrean and Emma Chichester Clark are our core texts for the summer term.

## English

Using *Leo and the Gorgon's Curse* as our inspiration, we will analyse the story thinking about the characters and sequence of events. We will create our own Greek mythological creatures and write part of a short story including a dilemma and resolution.

## Maths

This half term we will be learning to recognise fractions. We will practise adding and subtracting fractions. and finding fractions of amounts. After this unit, we will be moving onto learning about money, including converting pounds and pence and calculating amounts. Our final unit for this half term is time and we will be learning about Roman Numerals and telling the time using 5 minute intervals.

## Science

Our Science topic this half term is 'Animals including humans'. We will be looking at the human skeleton, thinking about bone structure and how muscles help us to move. We will investigate the

skull circumference of boys and girls. We will revisit the 'Eat Well Plate' and think about the nutrition our bodies need to stay healthy.

## Art

We will be focusing our Art skills on sculpting clay this half term. We will learn to shape clay and add clay using a score and slip technique to create ancient Greek inspired clay vases which the children will decorate and paint.

## History

Our History learning this half term will involve learning about the Ancient Greek civilisation. We will begin by learning about who the Ancient Greeks were, what were the key events and chronology, what life was like for the Ancient Greeks and how we can find out more about them.

## General

As the weather warms up, please ensure you send your child to school with a freshly filled water bottle each day.

Daily reading has a huge impact on your child's progress. Please ensure you are listening to your child read at least 3 times a week, even if this is only for 5 minutes. It contributes a tremendous amount to your child's attainment across all subjects. Please record each read in their diary as this contributes to our class reward system and children have the chance to move along our Greek reading challenge display each week.

The children continue to work hard to learn their times table and division facts. Please support your child at home with this. All children have a **TT Rockstars** log in which is in their reading diary. The children are familiar with this system as we use it regularly in school.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact the school office should you have any questions or require any support.

Kindest regards,

The Year 3 Team