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### Welcome Back – Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to our final half term of Year 3 – this academic year has gone incredibly quickly and we cannot quite believe that the children are almost heading into Year 4.

This term our topic is 'Groovy Greeks.' The children will travel back in time and learn all about Ancient Greece. On Tuesday, we had a fantastic day visiting Southampton Art Gallery. The children took part in an artwork shop where our Year 3s created their own Medusa print. The children also had the Medusa Greek Myth told to them through the artwork created by Edward Byrne Jones. This learning will also support the children in art. This half term, the children will be creating their own sculpture of a Medusa using clay. The children will learn how to roll and join clay, creating the 3D gorgon. They will also use clay tools to add detail and to make them as scary as possible.

In English, the children will be working using the text 'Leo and the Gorgon's Curse' to support both their reading and writing. We will be exploring the different quests that Leo has to undertake and use these to help write our own descriptions. The children will also explore the Perseus and Medusa Myth and they will have the opportunity to create their own mythical creature that will feature in the myth that they will write.

In Maths, the children will learn to tell the time tell and write the time from an analogue clock, including using Roman numerals from I to XII, and 12-hour and 24-hour clock. A great way to support your children at home is to get them to regularly check the time on a clock face and encourage them to wear a watch if they have one. We will also be regularly practising the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. This half term, the children will also be looking at different 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.

As you know, the children have PE every week on a Monday. Because the warmer weather is here, the children need to have a summer PE kit: black shorts and a white or red t-shirt. It is also imperative that the children have a water bottle in school and they are wearing sunscreen.

As you are aware, we do not set a weekly homework task. However, we do expect the children to be working on their times tables and related division facts daily. In addition to this, the children need to read each day and practise their spellings. Children need to practise their spellings; they can also practise their spellings on Spelling Shed.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support throughout the year and if you wish to talk to your child's class teacher, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Kind regards,

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