Monday 3rd June

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

We hope you had a relaxing break. As always, the Year 3 team are here to support you and your child. If you have any questions, please come and see us at the end of the day. Please find below the learning which we have planned for this half term.

**Curriculum**

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| ***Subject*** | ***Unit*** |
| Mathematics | Fractions  Money  Time  Shape  Statistics |
| English | Texts to study include:  Romeo and Juliet  Poetry  Playscripts |
| Science | The parts of plants  Light and Shadow |
| Geography | Fieldwork |
| Music | How does music make a difference to us every day?  How does music connect us with our planet? |
| Computing | Desktop Publishing  Events and Actions in Programs |
| Art | Painting and Printing- Seurat |
| DT | Cooking and Nutrition |
| PSHE | Being my Best  Growing and Changing |
| MFL | Snacks Drinks  Sports |
| RE | Creation Stories |
| PE | Gymnastics  Outdoor Adventurous Activities  Invasion Games  Athletics |

**Dates for your diary**

There are a number of key dates in place for Year 3, please ensure to keep a record of these.

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| **Wednesday 19th June** | Shakespeare assembly |
| **Thursday 20th June** | Shakespeare workshop |
| **Tuesday 25th June** | Sports Day |
| **Saturday 29th June** | Summer Fair |
| **Wednesday 3rd July** | Meet the new teacher |
| **Friday 12th July** | Reports sent out |
| **Thursday 18th July** | Blakehill’s Got Talent! |
| **Friday 19th July** | Break up for the Summer |

**Attendance and punctuality**

We would like to emphasise the importance of excellent attendance. We hope that you and your child will make every effort to make sure that you are on time and ready for the school day. The children will start arriving in school from 8.35am until 8.45am, ready to start their morning task. The school day finishes at 3:15pm, exiting out on to the top playground through the Year 3 / Year 4 door.

**Homework**

Homework will typically be set on a Friday. The homework provided is given to support and consolidate pupils’ learning from that week or a previous week. It is used to check understanding of topics covered and helps us identify areas of learning that need further development. Homework will typically include: half termly Key Instant Recall Facts (KIRFs) in Mathematics, a weekly spelling list and home reading (whenever possible).

**Spellings**

Spellings will typically be set on a Friday and tested the following Friday. These spellings will cover the Year 3 spelling curriculum. It is important that pupils are learning their spellings and we ask that you support your child with this.

**Home Reading**In Year 3, children are typically given daily opportunities to change their reading books and we encourage them to start being independent in doing this. It is essential that your child reads as frequently as possible to build their stamina for reading and we are looking for children to read at least three times a week at home – this should be recorded in their home reading record wherever possible. Every time your child reads and records this in their home reading record, they will receive a house point. Any time you can spare to listen to your child really would be extremely beneficial.

**PE  
Indoor PE**: this takes place on a Wednesday morning. It is important that children have the correct, named kit for this as we are experiencing lots of missing items. The kit includes: a white or blue plain t-shirt; black or blue shorts (tracksuit bottoms are also permitted) and black pumps.

**Outdoor PE:** this takes place on a Mondayafternoon. It is important that children have the correct, named kit for this as we are experiencing lots of missing items. The kit includes: a white or blue plain t-shirt; black or blue tracksuit bottoms; a plain black or blue sweatshirt and a pair of trainers.

PE kits should be brought into in a named pump bag that can be left in their cloakroom. This can then be taken home at the end of the week.

**Water Bottles**

To enable your child to have a drink of water we would encourage a named water bottle be brought into school. Try to ensure your child’s bottle is of the non-spill variety. Bottles should be taken home daily to be cleaned wherever possible.

**Snacks**As a ‘Healthy School’ we encourage the children to make healthy choices at playtimes and lunchtimes such as fruit, cereal bars and so on. Due to children with allergies, please do not bring in nut-based snacks.

**Uniform**

Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform (named so that it can be easily returned if lost), including black school shoes. If your child does not have suitable black school shoes, they will be given black pumps to wear throughout the day inside. Children can wear trainers at play times and lunch times but these must be changed back to school shoes ready for returning to lessons. Pupils are also required to wear a school tie with a white shirt or polo shirt. Children in Key Stage 2 should have a cardigan or jumper.

If you do have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 3 team.

Yours sincerely,

**The Year 3 Team**

*Mrs. Scott and Mr Duffy (Teaching Staff)*

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