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FULL STOP
TO LEARNING**

YEAR 3 NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year Three!

All of the children have settled in to their new classroom and new routines absolutely brilliantly. They are already working hard and I am thoroughly enjoying getting to know them all.

This term we will be focussing on our Black History topic, looking in particular at inspirational people from Black history. We will be learning about the movement for civil rights in the USA, the origins of Carnival here in London and will also be looking at some lesser known inspirational people from the local area.

All of this work will be tied in closely to our Mantle of the Expert approach to learning. Mantle of the Expert (MOE) is a drama based approach to curriculum. I am passionate about the approach and have recently qualified as a Lead Practitioner in this method. Through MOE the children will be working in make-believe contexts and taking on roles. They will develop subject knowledge and skills but will also be learning key social skills like cooperation, empathy and understanding. I will be holding a parent information session on the approach this half term and will write to invite you along to find out more.

In addition to our topic, we will be writing speeches, biographies and diary entries. We will be exploring maps and examining primary and secondary sources of information. We will also be deepening our understanding of place value, multiplication and shape. Our science will be about keeping healthy and diet.

I have attached the planning for the half term so that you can see the skills and knowledge that the children will be learning.

This term we will be running a mile three times a week as part of the school's "Daily Mile". We will also be swimming on Monday afternoons. Please ensure that your child has trainers at school every day and that they also have their swimming costume, swimming hat and goggles as well as a towel with them on Mondays.

We are ably supported by Bruna Ferizaj who will be working alongside me this year to ensure that all the children are happy and are making good progress.

If you have any questions please come and speak to me at drop off or collection time. If you need a longer conversation with me, please call the office and they will arrange an appointment time for you.

I am really looking forward to getting to know you this year.

Kind regards

Jess Edwards
Class teacher