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Dear Year Three Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you have had a fantastic Christmas break and are fully refreshed. Make I take this opportunity to thank you all for your generous gifts this Christmas, it was very kind of you and much appreciated.

I really enjoyed teaching your children last term and it was great getting to know them. I'm sure you enjoyed the class assembly and they did a great job leading the Christmas Carol Service in Church. I'm sure our trip to the Liverpool World Museum was a highlight for your child also. I am looking forward to the new term, in which I will meet with you at Parents Consultations to discuss your child's progress.

Topics: Here is a quick reminder of our topics for the academic year:

<u>Stone Age (Autumn 1)</u>	<u>Ancient Egypt (Autumn 2)</u>	<u>Romans (Spring 1)</u>	<u>Romans (Spring 2)</u>	<u>Brazil (Summer 1)</u>	<u>Brazil (Summer 2)</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stig of the Dump Cavemen drawings Stonehenge Roundhouse making 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tutankhamen Myths/Legends Make burial chamber Pharaoh headdress River Nile. Liverpool museum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roman mosaics Write Gladiator stories Make Roman shield Feast day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roman experience Chester trip What did the Romans do for us? Roman numerals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel brochure Weather and equator Amazon Rainforest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brazilian cooking Romero Britto artist study Amazon tribal stories

My time out of class: On a Thursday afternoon, Mrs Taylor will cover my class to allow me to have my Planning, Preparation and Assessment time. She will teach PHSE, French and ICT in this time.

PE: PE will be taught on a Friday afternoon. Children will need full indoor PE kit this half term as I will be teaching them gymnastics. Next half term they will need to bring outdoor kit ready for netball and tag rugby.

Homework:

The homework arrangements remain the same as last term with the two exercise books. From this term onwards children will now have 10 spellings to practice each week as opposed to 8. Can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support at home with reading, spellings and homework. It really makes a big difference and the Ancient Egyptian projects were brilliant!

Swimming: Swimming will start back up again next week (14/1/15). Can I take this opportunity to remind parents of the boys to send children in swimming trunks as opposed to shorts. This is a government guideline which we have to follow.

Author study:

I hope your child enjoyed reading the Jacqueline Wilson books last term. Thank you for taking the time to not only read with your child, but also complete the book reviews. They look fabulous on our wall at school! I have chosen another wonderful author for this Spring term - Jeremy Strong. You can once more find more information at <http://www.jeremystrong.co.uk/> His books are available both online and in the libraries to borrow and he is an author who appeals to both boys and girls in a really funny writing style. We are reading his brand new book Romans on the Rampage, so please don't read that one!

Website:

As you are aware the school have a brand new website. On the website there is a Year 3 sections where I will share photos and news with you on a regular basis. So watch this space!

Thank you for all your continued support
Mr B. Jones