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**Year 3 Stevenson and Brunel Classes
Newsletter: 7th January 2020**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope that you and your children have had a lovely holiday. We are, yet again, very proud of Year 3’s effort, perseverance and hard work so far and we can’t wait to see how they grow and develop this term! As Mrs Russell is still unwell, Brunel Class will be taught by Miss Grieve this half term.



**Our main topic for all of Spring term is Ancient Egypt!** We will be learning about life in Ancient Egypt, their beliefs and their achievements. We will also be learning about the importance of the River Nile which links in nicely to our science learning about plants. In English, we will be writing some reports about Ancient Egypt as well as reading some fiction around the topic.

Other areas of learning:

**Maths topics:**

* Place value
* Fractions
* Length, mass and volume
* Multiplication and Division
* **PSHE** work will based around appropriate relationships between people, including discussion about the difference between secrets and surprises.
* **RE** will involve exploring creation stories.
* **Music** – Instruments and composers. Children will develop their knowledge of musical vocabulary.
* **PE** will involve team games and dance.
* In **Computing**, children will complete their own simple stop motion animation before moving on to touch-typing.

**Uniform, lunchboxes and PE kit** Please make sure that all belongings are clearly labelled. PE kit should be brought into school every Monday and left until Friday.

**Homework** All children should read for 5-10 minutes every day and record it in their reading diary. Every week, children should learn their spellings as well as complete a basic Maths and English task. Per half term, children will complete a creative topic task.

*Please don’t hesitate to ask any questions – we are very happy to help. We appreciate all your support so far. Many thanks to those parents who accompanied us to the Christingle!*

Miss White, Miss Grieve and Mrs Kaur (Year 3 Team)

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**Diary Dates: New Year 2020**

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| **Date** | **Year Group** | **Time** | **Event** |
| Wednesday 15th January  | Year 5 | p.m. | Mini Police |
| Thursday 16th January  | Year 4 | All day | Visit to Nottingham University  |
| Wednesday 22nd January | Reception | 9.00 am – 10.00 am | Supporting your child’s reading  |
| Years 3 - 6 | p.m. | Road Safety Quiz Competition |
| Tuesday 28th January | Year 1 | day | Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park |
| Thursday 30th January | Year 5 | p.m. | Sports for girls event |
| Friday 7th February | Reception Boot | 8.55 am – 10.00 am | Family Stay and Play |
| Tuesday 11th February | All | day | National Safer Internet Day |
| Wednesday 12th February | Year 5 | p.m. | Beowulf Campfire for Families |
| Thursday 13th February | Year 1 | p.m. | Zoo expo for Year 1 parents |
| Friday 14th February | Nursery | 8.55 am | Valentine’s Day Family Story & Breakfast |
| Reception Bell | 8.55 am – 10.00 am | Family Stay and Play |
| Years 3 – 6 Select Team  | p.m. | Nottingham High Junior School Cross Country Races |
| All | 3.15 pm | School Closes for half term break |
| Monday 24th February | All | 8.45 | School re-opens |
| Tuesday 3rd March | Year 4 | All day | Trip to Wollaton Hall (The Romans)  |
| Thursday 5th March | All | day | World Book Day |
| Friday 6th March | Year 3 | day | Ancient Egypt day at Derby Museum |
| Year 5 | day | Art and Architecture visit to St Peter’s Church |
| Thursday 12th March | All | day | Sports Relief Charity Day |
| Thursday 19th andFriday 20th March | All | p.m. | Mother’s Day Afternoon Tea |