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Class 3 Information – Autumn 1 2018

I hope you are all ready for the new term.

A few reminders to start off with:

- School doors open at 8.40 and the register will be taken promptly at 8.50. If you need to speak to me before school starts please come before 8.50, otherwise the class will be learning. Please remember you can always leave messages in person at the office, by phone or by email and I will get back to you as soon as possible.
- P.E. will be taught on Monday and Friday. It is advisable to bring it in on a Monday and leave it at school through the week in case it is needed. As we enter the winter months, trainers are needed due to the wetter weather.
- Children need to plan ahead by bringing in coats, jumpers and water bottles, should they be required.
- Please ensure ALL your clothing is labelled.
- Planners - In Class 3 the children will have planners to remind them of upcoming events as well as to record guided reading or other interventions they are taking part in. You can write communications in these, although they will not be checked every day by staff. If you need a message passing on, please make your child aware of the message that needs to be seen.

Our learning

Maths – Our focus for this half term will be number, place value, rounding and addition and subtraction both mentally and using formal methods (columnar.) Year 5 will be using numbers up to 1,000,000 and Year 6 to 10,000,000 as well as decimal places. A Year 4 objective is to know all times table to 12x12. If you know your child has gaps, please continue to practise at home.

English – In English we will be using the text, 'Mold and the Poison Plot'. We will then be writing our own narratives. We will also be writing and performing Poetry. The children will take part in a guided reading activity every day, focusing on: comprehension, free-reading and pre-reading tasks.

Our topic this half term is 'Castles'.

History and Geography – The primary focus of this will be the monarchy in the UK, more specially England. The children will aim to understand historical concepts such as continuity and





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change, cause and consequence, similarity, difference and significance, and use them to make connections, draw contrasts, analyse trends, frame historically valid questions and create their own structured accounts, including written narratives and analyses.



As part of our learning we will be going on an educational visit. More details to follow please look out for this in the newsletter.

Art/DT – During the transition days, the children said they were keen to build castles. We will be completing a term long project, designing, making and building castles with a working drawbridge and possibly other working defences.

Further to this, the children will be learning:

RE – Tolerance and Respect looking at how Husthwaite and the surrounding area compares to our community locally and nationally.

Science – Living things and their habitats.

Music – Young voices singing. We are looking into putting on a concert at school for parents, carers and friends towards the end of the term.

Computing – Through the topic, historical civilisations, we will learn about technology in our lives, e-safety, programming and the use of multimedia.

P.E. – Mr Warriner will be teaching dance. In our Friday session, this half term we will be leaning cross country and circuits to coincide with indoor athletics.

French – We will be following the Y5 and Y6 syllabuses from NYCC. Y5 will study 'Les Portraits'.

Outdoor Learning will take place once per week – Forest Schools with Mr Houghton will be next half term). Please have appropriate clothing for all weathers.

Mr Chapman