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Dear Parents/Carers of Whipton Barton Federation Year 3 pupils,

This term, Year 3 will be learning about '**Ancient Greece**' in their **History** lessons. This unit will teach children about Ancient Greek civilisation and how they did an awful lot of things that make up society today. It's going to be a very inspirational and exciting topic. Get yourselves ready for **Greek Day!**

In **Science**, our topic this term is called 'opposites attract' We will be learning about magnets and how they are used in everyday life, using the language of predict, attract and repel as well as making reports and presenting findings from enquiries.

In **English**, we will be entering the world of non-fiction. The factual text that we will explore is an explanation. The children will learn the technical features of explanation as well as looking at inspiring inventors and using this to explain their creations.

In **Guided reading**, we will dive in to the dramatic text **'Free Lance and the Lake of Skulls'** by Paul Stewart and Chris Riddell. This amazing text explores setting, characters in an interesting way that is filled with suspense. We will be making predictions, inferences and having detailed discussions about these characters and of course the unexpected twist that lies ahead.

In **RE**, we will be answering the big question 'Why do we call the day that Jesus died Good Friday?' We will be discussing and sharing our thoughts and understanding respectfully through gospels and symbolism.

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In **Maths**, we will continue to build upon our understanding of fractions and solving problems that involve equivalence. We will also be learning about different units of measure and introduce the children to perimeter. Following this we will be solving problems that involve money.

In **Computing**, we will be looking at stop motion animation. We will be looking at the works of Wallace and Grommit as inspiration to create our own stories and designs. We will use software to bring our scenes to life.

In **Art**, we will be studying embroidery, the skills of using sewing to create intricate art pieces. These beautiful instillations will be inspired my Greek art, especially the designs from their pottery.

In **PSHE**, we are learning how we can be our very best. We will look at choices and recognising positive and negative emotions and environments. We will also have the opportunity to develop skills to make choices around food and what the influence of making good choices around food can have on our body.

This term in **P.E.** we will be building upon the Tag Rugby skills we learnt during our sessions with Exeter Chiefs and sending and receiving the balls. We will also be working on our coordination and counter balance skills, as well as learning, playing and collaborating in tennis skills.

If you have any questions about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or email admin@whiptonbarton.org.

Yours sincerely,

Dee Crocock -Class teacher

Emily Guppy -Team leader