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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back from the half term break! We hope you were able to enjoy some of the unseasonably warm weather that we have been having.

### **Luke 6:27-38**

#### *Love for Enemies*

<sup>27</sup> "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you.

<sup>32</sup> "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup> And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. <sup>34</sup> And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. <sup>35</sup> But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. <sup>36</sup> Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

#### *Judging Others*

<sup>37</sup> "Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. <sup>38</sup> Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

Jesus uses extreme language to highlight the importance of our relationships to one another. We are to deal with others, mindful of how we ourselves have received the good gift of forgiveness from God. This reminds us of the words in the 'Our Father', 'forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us'. When one has difficulties with others, it is good to pray for oneself, to know one's own faults, if any; and to pray for the others, that they may receive the grace from God for their better self to emerge. Do to others as God has done to you.

### **New After School Clubs**

The new afterschool clubs begin on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February and run until 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019.



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Headteacher: Ms Natasha Scott

### Book Weeks

From Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February to Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> March we will be celebrating Book Weeks; this year the theme is **The Power of Three**. The rule of three is a common storytelling device and rhetorical technique. As a storytelling device, you find it most often in fairy tales, myths, and fables.

The rule of three... suggests that things that come in threes are inherently funnier, more satisfying, or more effective than other numbers of things.

The children will be focusing on the following books:

Nursery - Goldilocks and the 3 bears

Reception - the 3 little pigs

Year 1 - the 3 billy goats gruff

Year 2 - Rumpelstiltskin

Year 3 - Aladdin

Year 4 - The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe

Year 5 - The 3 Musketeers

Year 6 - Macbeth

Throughout the week the children will be involved in a variety of activities to promote the love of reading including:

- Visits to the local library
- Story swap where your child can choose which class he/she wants to go to and listen to a story

Lastly but by no means least, our World Book dress up day! **On Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019**, we will celebrate World Book Day where the children should wear a costume based on the book they are focusing on in class or a character from one of their favorite stories. It should be a character that your child is familiar with so they can tell the rest of their class about the character and why they chose that person.

### Playground Bagels

Starting Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> March, we are very happy to invite your child to our fantastic new free breakfast provision! Each morning starting at 8:40, bagels will be served in the playground as the children arrive, and before they go into class, offering every child great fuel for learning.

Research has shown that children who have a healthy breakfast achieve more at school so make sure your child doesn't miss out! But please note we will stop serving breakfast at 8:55am so please make sure your child is in school before that time!

### Class Assembly

There will be a class assembly for **3L Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019** at 9:05 am; parents with children in this class are warmly welcome.

N. Scott  
Head Teacher



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