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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you and your family had a restful and enjoyable summer break. We're really looking forward to the year ahead in Kusama Class and can't wait to get started on a term full of exciting learning opportunities. This year, the class will be taught by myself, Mr Waldron, with support from Mrs Pettitt and Miss Jacobs. We're delighted to be working together and feel lucky to be spending the year with such a brilliant group of children.

In English this term, we'll be exploring informative writing and diary entries, using the engaging books *Stone Age Boy* and *Stone Age Beasts*. These texts will help the children develop their ability to write with purpose and creativity, while making meaningful links to our History topic.

Our Maths lessons will focus on number and place value, telling the time, and developing confidence with fractions. We'll be using practical resources and real-life examples to help children secure key concepts and apply their learning in different ways.

In Science, our topic is Evolution and Inheritance. We'll be investigating how living things have changed over time and exploring how certain characteristics are passed from one generation to the next. This unit always sparks great curiosity and encourages thoughtful discussion.

Our PSHE sessions will centre around "Me and My Relationships", where we'll be focusing on building a strong, supportive class team. We'll spend time thinking about how we communicate, how we treat others, and how we work together as both learners and friends.

In Computing, we'll begin the year with an introduction to computer science. Children will start to explore how computers follow instructions and will begin developing their understanding of simple programming.

Our History topic, "The Stone Age to the Iron Age", ties in nicely with our English texts. We'll be looking at how people lived, worked, and evolved during these time periods, and what we can learn from their way of life. This will be brought to life even further through visits to local museums, and we are hoping to arrange a workshop in school to give the children a hands-on experience of life in prehistoric Britain.

In Art, we'll be learning about our class artist, Yayoi Kusama. Children will explore her colourful and expressive style and have the opportunity to create their own artwork inspired by her use of pattern, repetition, and sculpture.

PE this term will be led by Mr Heap. He'll be guiding the class through a range of physical activities that focus on developing coordination, teamwork, and resilience. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school so they're ready to take part fully.

We're really excited for the term ahead and can't wait to see the progress the children will make. If you have any questions, or if there's anything you'd like to share with us about your child as we begin the year, please feel free to get in touch. Thank you for your continued support—we're looking forward to a fantastic year in Kusama Class.

Warm

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regards,

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