

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to a brand new school year! I hope you all had a wonderful summer break. I am very excited to spend this next school year at St Saviour's with your children who are now the new Year 3s! During this past week, I have been getting to know the class better and I look forward to getting to know more about each and every one of them as the year continues!

As **historians** we will be studying the changes in Britain, starting with the prehistoric period of the Stone Age and moving on to the Bronze Age. We will be learning all about what life was like back then; how the people lived and worked, and the evidence to support it. To deepen the children's learning of the Stone Age we will be visiting the Museum of London Archaeological Centre on **Thursday 1st October** doing some detective work.

As **Geographers** we will be studying how the earth's climate and environment has changed over time, through its periods of cooling and warming - describing it using geographical vocabulary.

As **Designers** we will design and make books on the Stone Age. To make them we will be investigating the sustainable paper sources available to us to make them, the binders and the ways to make the pages come to life.

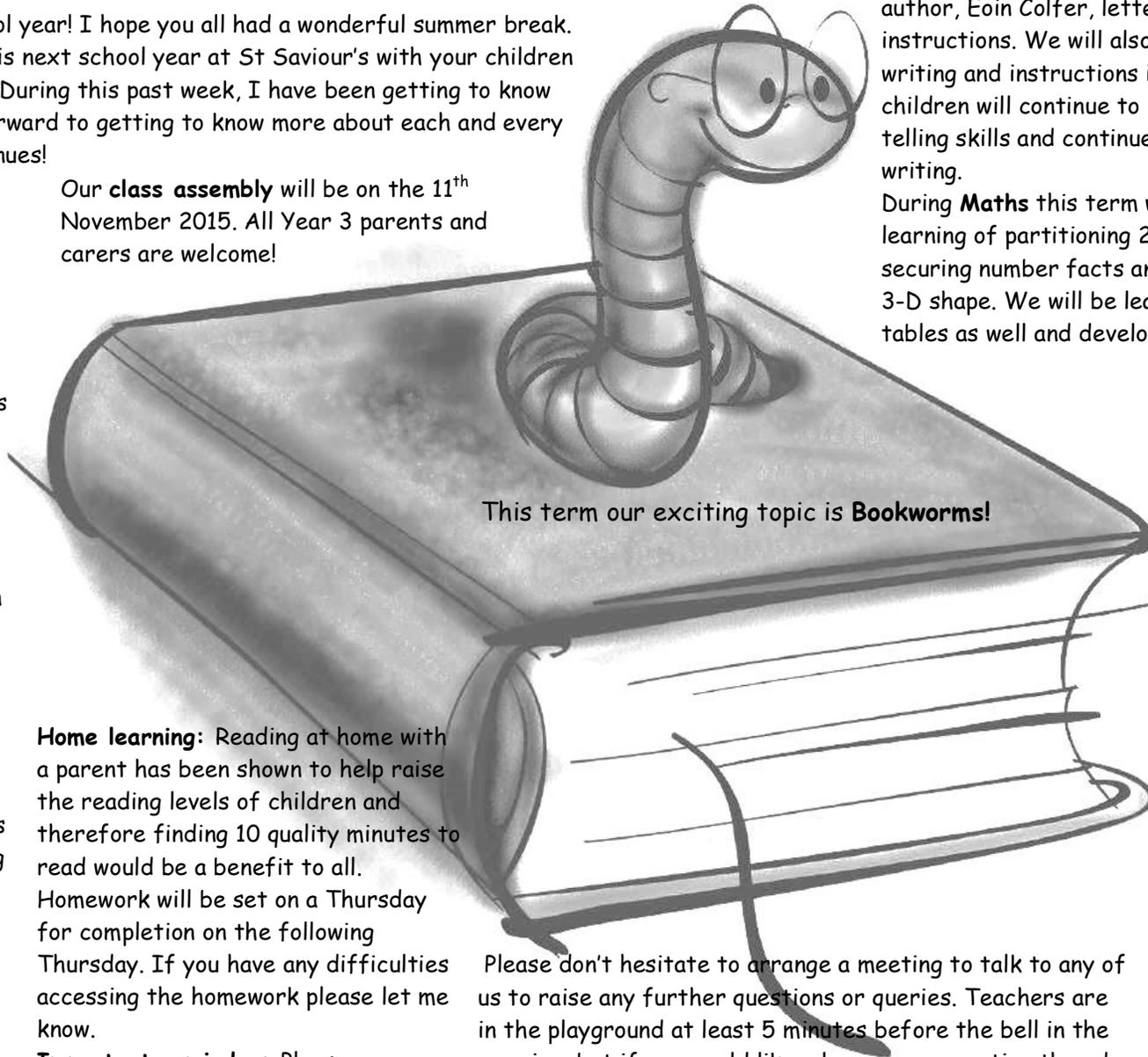
Our **class assembly** will be on the 11th November 2015. All Year 3 parents and carers are welcome!

Home learning: Reading at home with a parent has been shown to help raise the reading levels of children and therefore finding 10 quality minutes to read would be a benefit to all.

Homework will be set on a Thursday for completion on the following Thursday. If you have any difficulties accessing the homework please let me know.

Important reminder: Please remember that we now have swimming on a Monday and P.E. on a Wednesday. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate kit on these days.

This term our exciting topic is **Bookworms!**



During **English** this term we will be studying the author, Eoin Colfer, letter writing and instructions. We will also extend our letter writing and instructions into other subjects. All children will continue to develop their story telling skills and continue to apply this in their writing.

During **Maths** this term we will continue our learning of partitioning 2, 3 and 4-digit numbers, securing number facts and understanding 2-D and 3-D shapes. We will be learning more of our times tables as well and developing our mental maths.

As **Scientists** we will be exploring food groups, healthy balanced diets for animals and humans. We will also look at skeletons and movement of different animals, including humans. To deepen this area we will have a trip to London on the **21st October**, which will include an educational session on movement and bones.

In **Religious Education** we will be looking at Hinduism, particularly their celebration of Diwali and the sense of belonging it brings. In the following half term we will be looking more at the Christian celebration of Christmas and whether or not it has lost its meaning.

Please don't hesitate to arrange a meeting to talk to any of us to raise any further questions or queries. Teachers are in the playground at least 5 minutes before the bell in the morning, but if you would like a longer conversation then do come and see teachers at the end of the day or arrange an appointment.

Miss Newton and Mrs Reeves