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Dear Parents/Carers of all children in Year 3,

**Half Termly Information Letter - Spring Term 1, 2026**

Thank you for your support throughout your child's first term in Year 3. We hope that you had a lovely break over the holiday. The children have made an excellent start to the Spring term, settling back into routines and working hard. Important information for this half term is below.

**Reading**

This half term, we will be reading, 'On A Beam of Light' by Jennifer Berne in our English lessons. This links to the work we will be doing on light in science. In our Guided Reading sessions, we will be reading the novel, 'The Hodgehog' by Dick King-Smith.

Please continue to read with your child on a daily basis and record a comment in their reading diary; book bags and reading diaries should be brought in every day. Children are expected to read at home for at least 20 minutes per day and reading is monitored weekly. Children will be able to access Accelerated Reader quizzes in class and at home.

**Spellings:**

We will be learning how to use the following suffixes: 'ness', 'less', 'ful' and 'ly' in various combinations. We are also using the prefixes 'sub' and 'tele', as well as continuing to focus on words from the Year 3/4 spelling list.

**Maths:**

Please continue to support your child with their times tables. In the Autumn term, we learnt the 2-, 3-, 5- and 10-times tables. We will now be moving onto doubles. Each child should continue to use their 'Times Tables Rockstars' account to practise these facts at home. You can access the website via our school website or at: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/29424>

**PE:**

PE lessons take place on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. On these days, please continue to send children into school in clothes that they can exercise in without the need to change for PE and trainers, as it will give us the flexibility to increase the amount of physical activity we do in school. Children will need to remove earrings for PE and long hair must be tied back. We believe that children can nearly always take part in a PE lesson in some capacity if they are able to attend school. Our policy is that children will take part in PE lessons unless a doctor's note advises in writing against it.

**General reminders:**

- Please remind your child to bring in a water bottle daily
- As the weather is changeable, please ensure your child has appropriate layers of clothing in school

Thank you for your continued interest and support. Please do remember that we are available briefly at the end of the day should you need to speak to us.

Yours sincerely,

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