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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 3 Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter - Spring Term 1 2024

We hope you have had an enjoyable break. Year 3 have made an excellent start to the Spring term, settling back into routines and working hard. We are especially pleased with the reading progress that they have made since the beginning of the school year.

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 at home on a daily basis and record a comment in their reading diaries.

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:

Times Tables: Please continue to support your child with their times tables. In the Autumn term, we learnt about the 3 and 4 times tables. We will now be moving onto the 8 times tables. 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>

Home Learning Projects:

Please have a look at some starter ideas for projects that you could complete at home with your child. Our theme for this half term is 'Light'. Your child can bring their completed project into school at any point during the half term so that they can share it with the class.

PE:

PE lessons take place on Mondays (outdoors) and Wednesdays (indoors). On these days, please continue to send children into school in clothes that they can exercise in without the need to change for PE, 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 plastic see-through water bottle daily (no metal bottles please).
- We continue to keep good levels of ventilation in school, so layers of clothing will be useful as the weather continues to be cold.

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,

Simon Taylor and Georgie Rose-Moore
Y3 Class teachers