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Dear Parents,

The past half term flew by, and we cannot believe that we only have another term together! The children have worked incredibly hard, and we are so proud of all they have achieved.

As we begin the Summer Term, we wanted to inform you about all the exciting topics that we have coming up.

English

In English we will be focusing on 'Playscripts', 'Non-Chronological Reports', 'Adventure Stories' and 'Persuasive Writing'. In the first half term, our text will be 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' and in the final half term 'Peter Pan' and 'Iron Man'. We hope that many of the children will be awarded their pen licence this term, which will enable them to work in pen. In order to achieve this, as a year group, we are focusing on handwriting. Please spend some time with your child at home on this.

Spelling

Spellings will be sent home on a Monday in your child's reading diary which needs to be in school every day. These spellings should be learnt and practised at home daily. Please continue to access 'Spelling Shed' games at home to consolidate and apply spellings.

Reading

We again ask for your help and support at home to hear your child read **everyday**, as time is so limited in school for individual readers. Please remind your child that it is **their** responsibility to change their reading books and to remember which level they are on. Please could we also ask you to continue to hear your child read regularly (recorded in your child's reading diary with an adult's signature – even if it is an online book from 'Myon'). We will continue to take in reading diaries to ensure all children are reading five times a week. To improve their comprehension, it is particularly important to allow time to discuss the story to ensure your son/daughter understands what they have read. This should support them to make as much progress as possible and will help them to complete their accelerated reader quizzes with confidence.

Maths

In Maths, we will follow 'Power Maths' planning. The children will also continue to work on their times tables and number bonds in school. Every opportunity for practice at home would be appreciated. In addition to our weekly maths challenge, please continue to use 'Times Table Rock stars' at home and complete additional maths practice (recorded in your child's maths diary). These will be checked weekly.

RE

In RE the 'Come and See' Scheme continues to be used throughout the school. We will be focusing on the topics of 'Pentecost', 'Reconciliation' and 'Special Places'. We will continue with class RSHE sessions, which is a time we use to explore ideas such as goals and relationships and encourage the children to bond through discussions.

PE and Music

Just a gentle reminder that Year 3 will continue to have PE with Mr Upton on a Friday afternoon but will also now have a PE lesson on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child attends school in PE kit on Tuesdays and Fridays for the whole of the Summer Term, both before and after Half Term. Please remember that **no jewellery** is allowed on these days as recommended in the Surrey Guidelines. Full PE kit is also expected which includes a spare pair of white socks, green shorts or skirt, green track suit bottoms (optional), white T – shirts, plimsolls or trainers. It is imperative that they have the correct PE kit in school on these days. Please could you also ensure that, **ALL** kit is clearly named. Mrs Houslander will also be continuing with **Music** lessons on a Friday.

Thank you for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Pigot and Ms Harrison