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Welcome Back - Year 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter break. We hope you enjoyed the holiday and that the children are ready for lots of hard work and fun this half term. They have come back this week with lots of energy and enthusiasm, which is fabulous to see!

This term, we have so much to look forward to! In science, the children will be learning all about the life cycle of a plant and they will have the opportunity to plant their own seed and watch it grow over time. In addition, the children will be learning all about water and weather in Geography and they will learn why we have rain and why the weather in the UK is so unpredictable. Furthermore, in computing, the children will learn how to use Microsoft Publisher, where they will insert images, play around with the layout and add their own content.

In English, the children will be using the text 'Fantastic Mr Fox' to support both their reading and writing. We will be exploring the different characters; the children will be creating their own horrid farmer for the text, and they will have a go at writing diary entries from the perspective of a character. Later in the half term, the children will read a variety of non-fiction texts and they will explore the features of these. In writing, the children will use their science knowledge to write their own explanation texts on the life cycle of a plant.

In Maths, the children are continuing with their learning on fractions. They will also be learning all about mass and capacity. We will measure, compare, add and subtract mass (kg/g) and volume/capacity (l/ml). To further support your child at home, you can get them helping out with baking or even just using kitchen scales or jugs to measure the mass and capacity. At the end of the half term, the children will be starting their unit on time. It would be extremely beneficial if you could spend some time (from now) teaching your child how to tell the time using: o'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to and in five minute intervals.

As normal, PE continues to be on **Mondays**. Please ensure that your child has both outdoor and indoor kit to change into and that **all** jewellery is removed. **Children must have a pair of trainers for PE** that are not the shoes they wear to school.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your on-going support throughout the year and if you wish to talk to your child's class teacher, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Rachael Woods

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Emily Cooper

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