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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Well, we are all well and truly settled into the Spring term! It's lovely to see the children already immersed in their learning and enjoying our exciting topic - 'Life on the Edge'. The topic will incorporate a variety of curriculum areas including:

Science – This term , we will be learning about forces including magnets.

Art – In art we are studying the works of Katsushika Hokusai. The children will be developing printing and painting skills to create a final masterpiece!

DT – In Design and Technology, Year 3 will be learning about levers and linkages.

Geography – Linked to our topic of 'Life on the Edge', Year 3 will be learning about mountains, earthquakes and volcanoes. We will also be touching on settlement during Saxon period.

History – This term our topic in History is the Saxons. We will be welcoming a History specialist to deliver a morning's activity on Saxons.

PE – In PE this term, children will be taught tag rugby and badminton.

RE – In RE this term, Year 3 will be learning about Islam and the significance of Easter in the Christian calendar.

Music – This term, the children are learning how to use and play the glockenspiel. The children also have weekly singing with other classes.

French – This term, we will be learning days of the week, months and consolidating numbers to 30. We will also be learning how Mardi Gras is celebrated in France.

Computing – Year 3 will be learning how to code following activities on Purple Mash.

Our PE days are Mondays and Thursdays. Please make sure kit is named. This term, children have Forest School on a Friday morning; we will switch over groups after half term. If your child is in the Forest School group, they need to come to school in their home clothes and bring their uniform in a bag ready to change into at lunchtime.

A reminder that in Year 3, children are no longer provided a fruit/vegetable snack at playtime but they can bring in their own healthy fruit or vegetable snack to eat. We do encourage children to bring in spare wellies or trainers that they can wear on the field.

Homework includes spellings and times tables to learn. As well as learning the times tables that they have been set, we encourage children to play times tables rockstars at home. Each child has been given log in details for this. Children are also expected to read regularly at home as this really helps their reading progress and helps to encourage enjoyment of reading. Please ensure you (or your child) writes in their reading record when they have read at home. Your child should also be practising any spellings (usually about 5) that are circled on their spelling sheets. These are all found in a red homework folder.

If you need to discuss any issues regarding your child, we are available all days after school except Tuesday and briefly in the morning (apart from Mondays).

Thank you for your support

Mrs P Apperley and Mrs J Moorcroft

