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To Parents/Carers of Children in Year 3 Orcas and Dolphins

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have been working incredibly hard throughout the terms and we are so pleased and proud of all of the progress that they have been making.

PE

For the Summer term, children are expected to arrive wearing their standard kit on their class PE days. They will remain in their kit for the remainder of the day. This term outdoor P.E. will be on Tuesday for both classes. Indoor PE will be replaced by swimming until **24th May**. Both classes should wear their PE kit on a Friday as it is easier to get changed for swimming. After this date, we will be returning to our indoor PE slot which takes place on a Monday for Dolphin Class and a Wednesday for Orca Class. Children should have the **correct standard PE kit** of a t-shirt and shorts (with **sweatshirts** and **navy joggers** if the weather is colder). Please can you ensure that all items of PE kit are **clearly named**, including trainers and plimsolls.

Reading

Reading is a vital skill that will support your child throughout his/her life. For this reason, daily reading is necessary to ensure that fluency and accuracy develops, whilst fostering a love for reading and books. Your child will be coming home with a reading book and a yellow reading record booklet. The comment section should be filled in by you regularly, as you hear your child read or supervise their reading at home. **Children should be reading to an adult at home at least three times a week.** Both the reading book and record booklet need to be brought into school every day for morning reading sessions.

Additional activities that your child may wish to complete alongside their reading: - Book reviews

- Design a new front cover and synopsis for your favourite book
- Write an alternative ending for a story
- Research the author of your book
- Create a newspaper report about an event that happens in your book - Investigate a subject you have read about using a search engine
- Find out what your family's favourite books are.
- Write a review of your book and explain why you would recommend it to other children.



Maths

In Year 3 there is a focus on children memorizing their 2,3,4,5, 8 and 10 times tables. Please help your child with daily practise using games, songs and the Times Tables Rockstars app. The children have been doing well with this so please continue to encourage your child to use this app at home. It really supports their maths skills in the classroom.

Spellings

Each Monday morning the class will be taught a different spelling rule or pattern. This will involve the children working in smaller ability groups and practising writing selected groups of words using the Look, Cover, Say, Write, Check method. A copy of the spelling sheet used in these lessons will be sent home the Friday before to allow practise of the words at home. Your child can also compose sentences to show they understand how to use the words in context. Weekly spellings will always be tested on the Thursday. It is really important that the children practise these at home as it helps with their writing in school.

Home Learning

Home learning should be completed each week and handed in to the teacher on Monday. We have tried to choose activities that compliment what we are learning in school so please make sure your child has the opportunity to complete them by the dates below.

Date to be handed in by:	Activity
Science- ongoing- no need to submit	Have a go at growing your cress seeds at home. Keep a diary each week to explain how you have been looking after it and how it is growing.
History- 22 nd April	Research 10 interesting facts about the Ancient Egyptians. Try and find out a fact that nobody else knows! We will share these as a class.
Maths - 29 th April	Practise telling the time on an analogue clock. Can you tell the time to five-minute intervals?
Handwriting - 7 th May	Choose a paragraph from your favourite story and write it out neatly in your best joined up handwriting. Please request a handwriting sheet if required.

Should you have any concerns/queries about any points raised in this letter, please send an email to the school office.

Kind regards,



Miss Howard
Year 3 Orcas



Miss Bett
Year 3 Dolphins