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## Year 3 Spring Newsletter

### Important dates:

6<sup>th</sup> January - Beginning of Spring Term  
31<sup>st</sup> January - Mental Health Event Afternoon  
3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> February - Children's Mental Health Week  
10<sup>th</sup> February - Tudor Day  
11<sup>th</sup> February - In Person Parents Evening  
13<sup>th</sup> February - Online Parents Evening

14<sup>th</sup> February - February Half Term  
24<sup>th</sup> February - Return to school  
21<sup>st</sup> March - Red Nose Day  
4<sup>th</sup> April - Easter Holidays

### Reminders:

Please be reminded that no nut products are allowed in school due to allergies.

Following on from last year, all Year 3 children will have PE on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit. It will be sent home at the end of the half term.

Outdoor learning is on Wednesdays. Please can children come in with appropriate footwear and a waterproof coat.

Swimming has continued this term on Friday mornings. Long hair will need to be tied back in a swim cap and earrings will need to be covered.

Stay and Read will be on Friday mornings. Please ensure reading journals are brought in every day so that entries can be viewed, and reading can be logged. Just a reminder that reading journals will need at least one entry per week.

### Home Learning:

Home learning will continue to be uploaded on Teams weekly, linking to topics within school, as well as Mathletics and TT Rockstars.

Please encourage your child to engage with these activities as it will consolidate their learning from the week and has a positive impact on the children's learning. If any replacement usernames or passwords are required to access online resources such as Mathletics, please contact your child's class teacher.

### Parents Evening:

Parents evening will take place towards the end of the half term on the 11<sup>th</sup> (In-person) or 13<sup>th</sup> Feb (Online). More information including booking slots will follow.

**Onchan School Values**

**Compassion - Integrity - Endeavour - Courage - Respect**



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### **Spring 1 Focus:**

This half term, we are focusing on the Tudor Dynasty. This will include important people and events as the children produce diary entries, explore the lives of Kings and Queens and create Tudor family trees with portraits. At the end of the half term, we will be having a Tudor Day. This will include coming to school dressed as Tudors, exploring Tudor dancing and sport and designing our own Tudor houses.

### **Spring 2 Focus:**

In Topic this half term, our focus will be on Tectonics. This will include Tectonic plates, the continents and natural disasters such as volcanoes, earthquakes and hurricanes. Children will create their own exploding volcanoes, learn about natural disasters and design natural disaster defences. This will link with our literacy book 'Escape from Pompeii' and our maps skills learning.

### **Home-school communication:**

School communications will go out by email from the school office. If you have any queries or need to record absences, please email the school office and they will pass on any relevant information. If you require a more in-depth chat, please see your class teacher in person to arrange an appointment suitable for all.

Letters will be emailed from the office, therefore please make sure school has an up-to-date email address.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Best wishes,  
Miss Cannell and Mr Reaney