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Dear Parents

### **Summer Term 2026 – Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter**

This term is always fun-packed, and we look forward to our last term together.

#### **English**

We will be undertaking an in-depth study of the book, 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' by Phillip Pullman with a particular focus on developing our inference and prediction skills. We will also be using the book as inspiration to produce descriptive and powerful writing, narrative stories and letters in character. Through our topic we will explore non-fiction reading and writing, specifically non chronological reports.

#### **Maths**

Over the course of the term, we will be looking at money, fractions, time and shape. We will continue to practice our number work both through these topics and in daily fluency. Please continue encouraging your child to practice their times tables: 2, 5, 10, 3, 4, 8 and beyond.

#### **Science**

This term in Science, Year 3 pupils will study **Plants** and develop key **scientific enquiry skills**. They will learn about the parts of flowering plants and their functions, what plants need to grow, how water is transported and the role of flowers in the life cycle, including pollination and seed dispersal. Alongside this, they will learn how to work scientifically by asking questions, carrying out simple tests, making observations and measurements, recording data and using evidence to explain their findings.

#### **Geography, Art and DT**

In Geography, we will start by looking at how land use has changed over time in Jersey. We will be learning all about the United Kingdom. We intend to learn about the physical geography of each country as well as exploring the culture of different places. We will learn some Scottish dancing, create models of different types of settlements, dramatise weather reports from the top of Ben Nevis, and extend our map skills to locate specific towns and cities.

#### **IT**

We will begin to explore Micro:bits, programming them in several different ways. We will also be designing stop go animations to support learning in science and the children will be learning simple HTML to create a basic webpage.

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## **RE**

In RE, our focus will be on Hindu beliefs around gods and deities and the importance of the River Ganges and the role it plays in the Hindu religion.

## **Music**

This term in music, the children will be learning a variety of songs and focus on improving vocal skills. Songs will be linked to seasonal and topical events, as well as class topics. They will learn to create their own music to explore how music can describe pictures and moods. We will continue to learn the recorder, and it will be important that the children have their own recorder in their bag on Thursdays. I am hoping we will be able to share some of our recorder tunes with you towards the end of term. We will continue to learn about music theory and the reading of notation on the treble stave.

There will be details about upcoming trips sent closer to the time.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Kind regards

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