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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to school, we hope you had a lovely Easter holiday and are looking forward to a great term. We have lots of fabulous learning planned for this half term and overleaf you will find our Summer 2 Curriculum overview with more information about what we will be learning in class and herein some more details about plans this term.

Curriculum

This half term's focus is **Engineering the Rainforest**.

Attached is our curriculum overview for this term, which gives more details about the subjects and objectives we will be covering.

Reading

Every child should be **reading at home daily** and recording what they have read in their reading record books. Adults in class will acknowledge reading response books once a week with a stamp, so it is important that they are brought into school every day.

For children reading coloured level books:	For children reading chapter books:
Children should be reading daily at home and changing their books as often as needed (up to every day). We will be supporting the children to become independent with changing their reading books in the classroom during Year 3. These children should be reading with an adult daily at home, who can complete their reading record book with them to show what they have read.	We will support children to select any suitably challenging books of their choice, which could be from the class book corner, the library or provided at home. These children should still be reading daily but will be more independent with their reading and may read independently or with an adult. Children can fill out their own reading record books to show what they have been reading.

You can also still use our **Reading Eggs** online programme to support your child's reading. Please let your child's teacher know if you need your login details again.

Home Learning

Home learning, including spelling words, will be posted on **Google Classroom every Friday**. Please complete and submit by Thursdays so it can be shared and celebrated in class. The spelling test will take place on Thursday or Friday each week. You can also continue to practice your times tables daily, using **Times Tables Rockstars**.

Parental Engagement

We are planning to soon be able to invite parents and families into the building to restart some of our regular events from before the pandemic, including our parent workshops and opportunities to see your child's work and classroom. We will be in touch soon with further details about these opportunities in the next few weeks.

PE & Music

Your child's PE & Music session will be every **Thursday**. Children need to come into school in their PE kits on this day. PE will be held outside where possible so please make sure your child wears their PE jumper.

Punctuality & Attendance

It continues to be really important that children arrive before 9am, as the first lesson of the day is an important one. Our 'soft start' continues between 8:45 - 9:00am each morning. After 9:00am the gate will be closed and any latecomers will need to come through the main school gate rather than the vehicle entrance.

Attendance is compulsory for all children, but we understand that some absences may occur. Regular contact and communication to our office about illness and medical appointments is crucial.

Covid-19 - NEW guidance

Following the government changes to testing please be advised of the procedures for illness and suspected Covid 19:

Adults

Adults who have a positive COVID-19 test result, try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days after the day you took your test. At the end of this period, if you have a high temperature or feel unwell, try to follow this advice until you feel well enough to resume normal activities and you no longer have a high temperature if you had one.

Although many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days, some people may be infectious to other people for up to 10 days from the start of their infection. You should avoid meeting people at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19, especially those whose immune system means that they are at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, despite vaccination, for 10 days after the day you took your test.

Children and young people

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should not attend nursery or school and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is reduced.

Additional Key Teaching Staff:

PE Team - Jordan

Music - Tom

Higher Level Teaching Assistants - Heather Healy, Isabel Murphy, Sandra Grogan & Maggie Muir

Water & Dressing for school

Please remember to send your child into school with a bottle of water.

We encourage you to dress your child in clothes that are practical for the classroom and ensure your child's clothing is named. Now that the weather is getting warmer we would like to remind you that shoulders should always be covered, no strappy tops please, and midriffs should not be on show. Shorts should be a suitable length, and if anyone is choosing to wear a skirt or a dress, you may wish to consider wearing a pair of shorts underneath as children may be asked to sit cross legged on the floor and they all love to climb on the equipment outside at break time. Please also ensure your child brings a hat and a full water bottle to school every day.

As part of our safety precautions in school we are keeping the windows and doors open in our classroom to ensure the room is ventilated. Please make sure your child comes in with layers to wear, including a warm jumper, as the weather is still changeable even in Summer!

Communication

For further information, please make sure you regularly check the school website www.primrosehill.camden.sch.uk

If you would like to speak to the teacher, you can email the school admin and they will be in touch directly.

We are looking forward to another fantastic half term of learning!

Many Thanks,

Alice, Emma and Sophie The Year 3 Team