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Dear Families,

Welcome back to another busy half-term.

In the first half of the Summer Term both classes will be reading 'A River' by Marc Martin and will be writing postcards and poetry. Please continue to hear your child read as often as possible (3 - 5 times a week would be ideal) and don't forget to fill in the Reading Record Book, you can also write in when they have read other books from home, magazines or instruction booklets etc!

This half term our main topic is Rivers so we are hoping for some warm, sunny days for children to explore some of the Isle of Wight's waterways during Out and About on Tuesday afternoons. Please check the newsletter on Compass to see when your child will be going out and ensure that they are wearing appropriate clothing and trainers as they will be walking. The topic overview is included with this letter - outlining what your child will be learning, to enable you to support them at home. As in other half terms we will also set a family homework task linked to our topic, this half term the homework task is to create a fact file about one of the World's Rivers. This could take the form of a poster, booklet, powerpoint or display and needs to be in class by Monday 19th May so your child can share it with the class.

Year 3 pupils should be able to recall their 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables by the end of Year 3. We focus particularly on 3s, 4s and 8s, please practise these with your child. Homework packs with activities to support this learning have been sent home in addition to a spelling homework booklet. We will have spelling tests every Friday morning.

Both classes will need to wear their PE kits on Mondays and Thursdays. We ask that children arrive at school in their PE kit on these days please. PE kit includes: blue round neck T-Shirt, navy shorts or jogging bottoms, trainers for outside PE and a navy jumper (normal school jumper will be fine). Please note that most of our PE will be outside when the weather allows.

Our PPA activities are on Tuesday and will be led by Mrs Johnson and Mrs Kingsbury for Out and About, Mrs Bradbury for cookery, Mrs Cade for French and library & Mrs Riches for music.

In PSHE this term we will be discussing healthy lifestyle and healthy choices as well as keeping safe.

Please make an appointment to speak with us if you have any questions or if you need to share any information about your child or home life which may have an impact on their learning. You can contact your child's class teacher on the following email addresses:

> <u>3pt@queensgateprimary.co.uk</u> <u>3ah@queensgateprimary.co.uk</u>

We look forward to working in close partnership with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tilling & Miss Hunter, Mrs Cade, Mrs Kingsbury and Mrs Tate