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Dear Parents,

Our new enquiry is *Active Planet*. We will be exploring environmental issues, natural disasters such as earthquakes, volcanoes and Pompeii and the story of a journey to the centre of the earth. This enquiry will be launched in the first week in January 2018. You will see from our topic web that we have an exciting learning term ahead.

An important date for your diary:

Tuesday January 16th 2018 you are invited to our Year 3 year group assembly performance. This will be at the times of 10.00am or 2.00pm. Tickets will be available from the office.

Key dates

03/01/18 - Back to school

16/01/18 - Year3 performance 10.00am and 2.00pm

25/1/18 - Popcorn Night 5.00-7.30pm

2/2/18 - Relative reading

17/3/18 - Family Learning day - construction

27/28/3/18 - Parent evenings

Reminder- your children have a log on for My Maths and Bug club which is on their reading log please encourage them to complete the work set.

Multiplication tables, Reading and Spelling:

Please can you ensure that your child reads regularly at home. We are finding that regular reading at home really does have an impact on their confidence and progress in reading and writing and all subjects at school. If your child reads an extract of a book at home on their own we encourage them to write in their home school diary what they have read.

The children are doing well with their weekly spelling tests and thank you for your continued support.

There will be an increased focus upon multiplication tables so could we please encourage you to help your child to commit these to memory with the focus on 3,4 6,8 and 9 x tables, as this will soon become a compulsory test during Year 4.

Just a few usual reminders:

Please ensure that your child always brings a water bottle to school. Please also ensure that children remember to keep their correct **PE kit** (house colour T-shirt, dark shorts or tracksuit bottoms, socks, trainers or daps) in school for the whole week. Children wishing to be excused from PE will need a note from home.

Homework will set termly, where children will have a choice of task to complete. In Year 3, we have high expectations of children with regards to homework and we ask that every child completes it and to the highest standards expected in class. Please check the website or classroom door for any key dates and messages. Many thanks for your continued support,

Miss Manning Mr Cowell®