



Dear Parents,

We hope that you have all enjoyed the Christmas holiday. We have loved welcoming your children back after their break.

This term, we have lots of exciting topics including: Science (electricity), D&T (light up cards), Geography (sustainably), and Drawing and Painting (studying the artist - My Dog Sighs). We have also planned engaging lessons in maths, English, computing, French, PSHE and RE. Please see the curriculum overview attached for a more complete picture of your child's learning.

The main points for the spring term are summarised below:

### **PE**

This term's PE topics are tennis, tri-golf and outdoor education. As well as this, we will be swimming.

#### **Year 4 PE days from next week until 26<sup>th</sup> January are:**

Cherry - Tuesday (normal PE kit) and Thursday (normal PE kit)

Hazel - Tuesday (normal PE kit) and Friday (normal PE kit)

#### **From 29<sup>th</sup> January, the new PE days will be:**

Cherry - Monday (swimming kit) and Tuesday (normal PE kit)

Hazel - Monday (normal PE kit) Wednesday (normal PE kit)

*Swimming dates for the diary- Cherry class will start swimming on the 29th January and they have 8 sessions. Hazel class will start on the 15th April for 8 sessions. Please ensure that your child has their swimming kit in school with them weekly from their starting dates.*

***Polite reminder: If your child has their ears pierced, please remove earring/s or cover earring/s with tape before school on PE days.***

### **Reading and Homework**

Please can you we encourage children to keep reading at least 4 times a week at home and record this in their reading diaries. Reading diaries should continue be brought into school on Mondays. We continue our focus on learning times tables and spellings in their homework with additional optional tasks. Homework books should be sent in every Thursday and sent home on Friday. Homework supports the learning children are doing in class so please try hard to complete it.

### **Contact**

In terms of contacting us, in the first instance contact [hazel@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:hazel@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk) or [cherry@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:cherry@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk). You can also contact the school office on [adminteam@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk](mailto:adminteam@st-margarets.torbay.sch.uk) with more general enquiries. Remember we are on the classroom door at the beginning and end of each day most of the time. It is important to note that we cannot discuss incidents related to other children via email.

We are looking forward to the term ahead 😊

Year 4 team.