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PRIORY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Autumn Term 2022

During the first half of the Autumn Term we will be exploring the curriculum through the topic, 'Endangered!'. We will be exploring the world through the eyes of the characters in Anthony Browne's book, 'Gorilla'. Based on this work the children will be writing letters in role, hot seating to write direct speech, writing a recount and creating a non-chronological report on Gorillas. In Science we will be learning about animals and their nutritional needs, nutrients animals need to be healthy and how these nutrients help keep our bones and muscles strong and healthy.

In the second half of the Autumn Term our topic will be, 'Is There Anybody Out There?' and our focus text will be, 'Pea Boy', by Elizabeth Laird. We will be using the text to inspire the skills of oral storytelling, write own stories from those shared from another character's point of view whilst doing a deep dive into the rich culture, geography and history of Iran.

In Maths, over the whole of the Autumn Term the children will be developing their skills in Number and Place Value, Addition and Subtraction and Multiplication and Division. Class 3H will continue to develop their knowledge of times tables, applying this to work in class and developing their fluency, reasoning and problem solving.

Homework will be allocated from the pages of their Maths and English workbooks, will be given out on a Friday and due in the following Friday. The children will have weekly spellings in their reading diary, which will be written in on a Friday. We are focusing on spelling patterns before moving onto words from the Years 3 / 4 spelling list. At home, please could you read with your child and record this in their reading diaries as well as helping them practise their times tables.

The children will have PE with Mr King on Thursdays and Fridays so please could you make sure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on those days. There will be some days where your child will be required to wear their PE kit. This will be noted in their reading diaries and the children will be given notice of this. Please could you send in a spare pair of trainers which will be kept in your child's class so they can get involved in physical/outdoor learning opportunities throughout the week. They will learn Spanish with Seniorita Perez on Thursday.

Please do not hesitate to contact me through the office or with a note in your child's reading diary if you wish to discuss anything with me. I look forward to meeting with you at our upcoming Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 8th November and Thursday 10th October where we can discuss your child's progress and any concerns you may have.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs Harvey