Welcome back to the final term of Year 3! Thank you to everybody for helping us produce successful performances of ‘Ye Ha!’ I was very proud of Kingfishers and their accomplishments. The props, costumes and settings were fantastic and we appreciated all your efforts to make it seem professional! We look forward to the Year 3 assembly, continuing to show our ability to perform with energy and creativity. Additionally, I am very pleased to notice that the children are becoming increasingly independent and organised, in readiness for Year 4.

In terms of the curriculum, thank you for your ongoing efforts to support us by ensuring your children are doing their homework and learning their spellings and times tables! The Summer term project will be based on our geography topic of North America.

Mrs Sheridan, Mrs Lyne, Mrs Sharkey, Ms Taylor and the rest of the Kingfishers Class team

English
We will continue to study the writing of favourite children’s author, Roald Dahl, and we will develop the children’s instruction-writing skills. Additionally, we will study the exciting genre of adventure and mystery, writing our own adventure stories.

Maths
We will focus on fractions and explore weight and capacity, look at properties of shape and handle data. We will continue to practice the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. We will be spending time on more formal methods of recording calculations and investigating, using the 4 operations of number.

Geography
This term, we will learn about the UK and the continent of North America, focusing on mountains, rivers, settlements and wildlife. If you have any interesting artefacts or stories that you can share, I would be very grateful if you could let me know.

Science
We will complete our topic on ‘Light’ and then study ‘Forces and Magnets’ and ‘Plants’. We will continue to develop the skills of planning investigations, questioning and predicting. We will also focus on evaluating experiments and drawing conclusions, related, when possible, to everyday life.

Art/DT
We will focus on arts and crafts related to North America, creating sculptures of totem poles using card and paper as well as making dream catchers. In DT, we will make cornbread as well as interactive toys linked to our EE topic.

PE
We will be learning how to play rounders and develop skills in athletics. Sports Day will be near the end of the term, so the children will also be preparing for those events. Swimming will continue as usual.

R.E./Music
We will be learning about God and the Torah, in Judaism, and about various religious symbols. We will be singing songs inspired by North America, such as Native American songs and exploring sounds in order to be descriptive and maintain our own parts. We will also create our own compositions.

French
With Mrs Sharkey teaching, the children will be extending their vocabulary and learning about French culture through songs and games.

**Important**
The overnight trip to HMS Belfast is on Wednesday, 15 May, returning Thursday, 16 May.

The children must hand in their homework diaries on Fridays but need to have them in class daily. Please sign your child’s diary at least once a week; however, feel free to sign it more often, perhaps after hearing your child read and when they have completed their homework. You may also use it to contact me with any concerns or queries—if so, let your child know that I need to see it.

Please ensure that your child has a PE kit in school at all times and send your child to school with a plastic water bottle that does not leak.