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Dear Parents,

Welcome to term 5! I hope you had a great Easter break. **Please remember to send in a photo from your child's favourite day over the Easter holidays.** They will verbally share this with their friends to practice their speaking and listening skills and also write a recount about it. Please email these as soon as you can as it really helps young children to have a visual prompt.

This term our topic is called 'Beside the Sea.' We will be learning all about the coast, the sea and the creatures that live there.

In Phonics, the children will finish recapping the phase 3 sounds which they have already learned and move on to phase 4, a consolidation phase, where they will learn adjacent consonants or consonant blends such as CVCC words (e.g. hand) or CCVC words (e.g. crab). They may also have a laminated sheet in their book bag with phase 3 sounds to practice. Please continue to hear your child read daily. Practicing reading skills little and often are vitally important for them to be confident readers.

We will now send home spelling books. Please return these every Thursday for marking and new words added and handed out on a Friday. These will continue to be common-exception words (tricky words that cannot be sounded out). Some children will have phase 3 words to learn whilst others will continue to practice phase 2 words. Please find a small amount of time to practice spelling these words in the book with your child.

The children will continue to have PE sessions twice a week, please remember on **Tuesday to send your child to school wearing their PE kit and to bring their PE kit in on a Thursday to get dressed into in school.** Do continue to encourage your child to get dressed independently.

Thank you for your support

Mrs Smith

