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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely, relaxing Easter holiday. Our topic this term is 'Magnificent Monarchs' which links nicely to what is happening in the United Kingdom currently. This knowledge and understanding will culminate in a visit to Windsor Castle in Term 6 to take part in a 'All about Castles' workshop and immerse themselves in what it was like to defend a castle. In May, the children will be completing the statutory SATS assessments. We will not be making children explicitly aware of these but it is even more important to make sure that children are in school on time during this week, unless of course they are unwell.

An outline of this term's curriculum is summarised below:

<u>Maths</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fractions• Time• Statistics• Position and Direction	<u>English</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Narrative: 'Queen Victoria's Bathing Machine'• Explanation Texts: life cycles• Information texts: Monarchs• Poetry: On the Ning Nang Nong
<u>Science</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Growth in animals and exploring life cycles of some familiar animals• Survival of humans and identifying the basic needs of animals for survival, including food, water, air and shelter	<u>History</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Magnificent Monarchs.' The English and British monarchy from AD 871 to the present day including a trip to Windsor Castle
<u>RE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christianity and Judaism	<u>PSHE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Being My Best• Growing and Changing
<u>PE</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team games• Performance sport: athletics	<u>Computing</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Robot algorithms• Introduction to quizzes
<u>Music</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identifying different musical instruments and elements from a range of music	<u>Art & DT</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Portraiture• Sliders, levers and linkages• Sewing patterns

PE

Please make sure your child comes to school in their PE Kit on **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

Homework

Please try to listen to your child read each day and complete their Reading Record. This will help your child enormously. Children's reading books are changed once they have finished a book. They can borrow a book from the class library whenever they choose. Literacy and Maths homework will be sent out on a Friday for completion by the following Friday.

Key Dates

Half term:	w/c Monday 27 th May
Trip to Windsor Castle:	Thursday 20 th June (TBC)
Sports Day:	Tuesday 25 th June (TBC)
Last day of term:	Wednesday 24 th July (1:30 pm finish)

Should you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to speak to me in the playground before or after school or contact the school office to make an appointment.

With best wishes for a happy and healthy Summer Term,

Mrs Potter
Year 2 Teacher