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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, everyone! The summer holidays are over and we're so excited to see you all again for the new school year at St. Mary's. We've got a fantastic term planned, full of fun and learning.

This year, we've transformed our forest area and allotments into a brilliant new outdoor classroom. Every fortnight, each class will have the chance to explore this amazing space, learning about nature, building dens, and working together on exciting projects. Please remember to keep a pair of **wellington boots** and **waterproofs** at school so you're always ready for our forest adventures, whatever the weather! Your child's day will be on the Learning Newsletter which will be sent on Friday.





Year 3 children will start the half term navigating their way around the school grounds and conduct a local area walk as part of their Geography unit. Year 4 students have a special history trip to look forward to, where they'll learn all about the **Iceni Revolt** and the legendary warrior Queen Boudicca. It's an incredible opportunity to bring history to life. For our Year 5 and 6 students, get ready for an out-of-this-world experience with our **residential Planetarium**!

In October, we'll also have a whole-school **Black History workshop**, a brilliant way to learn about and celebrate the contributions of Black people throughout history.

We can't wait to see all you accomplish this year.

Best wishes,

Miss Richardson





