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15<sup>th</sup> October 2008

Dear Parents/Carers

Olympic unit 'Exit Point'  
Years 3 and 4



The children and staff in Years 3 and 4 would like to invite you into school on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 p.m. to view some of the work produced as part of our Olympic Unit, 'Going for Gold'. We have all enjoyed taking part in this project, especially the science aspect which has meant studying the skeleton, muscles, circulatory and respiratory systems. We were helped in this by Frank, a life sized replica of a skeleton, lent to us by Miss Ennor.

Looking ahead to next half term, we will begin our new unit of work about the rainforest, ('Saving the World') with a visit to Bolderwood in the 'New Forest, which will enable us to compare the two environments. The rainforest unit of work will involve the following areas:-

In geography we will be learning.....

- ❖ how rainforests have been affected by human activities
- ❖ how the nature of rainforests affects the lives of people

In art we will be learning....

- ❖ to choose materials and techniques which are suitable for the task of representing rainforests

In science we will be learning.....

- ❖ how to carry out simple investigations about plants
- ❖ about how plants and animals are suited to life in the rainforest
- ❖ about the life cycle of plants and the function of leaves

In technology we will be learning.....

- ❖ to design and make a product to meet a specific need

In ICT we will be learning.....

- ❖ to present our work on a variety of subjects

In music we will be learning .....

- ❖ to choose sounds and instruments which are appropriate for representing the sounds of the rainforest
- ❖ to compose simple pieces

In society we will be learning....

- ❖ that people's health and safety can be affected by a variety of factors including food, climate, rules and the availability of resources.
- ❖ that people in different countries have different traditions and ways of living

Our international learning will involve.....

- ❖ identifying activities and cultures related to the study of rainforests which are different from but equal to our own.

**We look forward to meeting you on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30 p.m.**

Best wishes

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