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Dear Parents and Carers

I am very excited to inform you that Canvey Island Infant School will be continuing with the highly successful Beach School lessons.

Beach School lessons are outdoor learning sessions that take place on the beach. They are lessons which not only enhance our curriculum, but also allow the children to build on their independence, resilience, critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

The children will walk to and from Thorney Bay Beach where the lessons will take place.

To ensure that children get as much out of the sessions of possible, classes will be split into two groups, with half the class attending the beach in the morning and the other half in the afternoon.

Below are the proposed dates for the rest of the Autumn and Spring Term.

Autumn Term

Date	Time
09.10.24	Class 1
23.10.24	Class 2
13.11.24	Class 3
27.11.24	Class 4

Spring Term

Date	Time
26.02.25	Class 1
12.03.25	Class 2
26.03.25	Class 3
23.04.25	Class 4

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It is the Beach School's philosophy that 'There is no such thing as bad weather, just inappropriate clothing'. Therefore, we ask that on your child's beach school's visit day they are dressed appropriately for the weather e.g., raincoat, hat, gloves, sun hat, sun cream etc. We also ask that your child brings in a pair of wellies to change into before they head to the beach. However, if the weather is too bad, the Beach Schools session will be rescheduled.

We are also looking for donations of the following:

- Pairs of wellies
- Buckets and spades
- Fishing/crabbing nets
- Waterproofs
- Any other beach toys/resources

I am sure you will agree that this is a wonderful opportunity for your child. If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Katie Gopee
Class Teacher and Qualified Beach Schools Practitioner

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