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Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well, and that you had a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

This half term, Year 6 will have a Geography focus. Our topic is entitled 'On the Move' understanding the push and pull factors in migration from the Northern Triangle to the USA and knowing the benefits of migration to the UK.

Our class text is The Arrival by Shaun Tan, it is a graphic novel and wordless story of illustrations highlighting an immigrant man's journey told through an imaginary world.

Attached to this letter are your child's Knowledge Organisers which contain key facts, vocabulary, and information about your child's learning in class.

Our learning:

- In Writing, we will be looking at the picture book, 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan developing our writing of multi-text narratives.
- For our second writing task we will be writing a biography of an influential person.
- In Maths, we are focusing on fractions. We will be recapping learning from Year 5, and we will learn how to simplify, find equivalents, multiply and divide fractions. We will also be studying geometry: position and direction, we will be learning about coordinates, translation and reflection on four quadrants.
- In Science, Year 6 will use the idea that light from light sources, or reflected light, travels in straight lines and enters our eyes, to explain how we see objects. We will also use the idea that light travels in straight lines to explain the formation, shape, and size of shadows
- In Geography, we will understand push and pull factors in migration and look at two case studies: migration to the UK from Poland, and migration from the Northern Triangle to the USA.
- In P.E, we will be dancing choosing their own music and style, and basketball play to agreed rules.
- In Design and Technology, Year 6 will be designing and producing a model airboat. We will link this to our knowledge of electricity from last half term's science learning by creating circuits with motors to make our airboats move on water.

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- In R.E, we will be exploring Christianity with the theme of beliefs and meaning and answering the key question: Is anything ever eternal?
- In PSHE, we will be exploring these questions: how do drugs affect the mind and body? How do I manage peer pressure? What is basic emergency first aid skills?

Please support your child at home in ensuring they know their times tables fluently, that they are reading each day independently and to you and that they have opportunities to be read to by an adult.

Homework:

Reading homework and a list of spellings will be sent home each Friday for the children to complete over the weekend in preparation for the following week's reading learning and spelling test. Links to Spelling Shed and LetterJoin are available on the website to support your children further at home. Please ensure that your children are completing these tasks weekly. You can take pictures of the children's work and send it through ClassDojo so that their hard work can be celebrated in class.

Children are expected to read at home either independently or to an adult at least three times a week (depending on their confidence and fluency). Children will be given two reading books from school which they will then be able to take a quiz on at school.

Children are also expected to spend some time on Timetable Rockstars weekly practising their times tables, this can be done on an iPad, tablet, laptop, computer or phone. If your child does not have access to one of these, please let their teacher know so that we can send home a paper copy and allow them time in school to access the website.

PE:

6 Elm – Monday

6 Oak- Tuesday

6 Cedar- Friday.

This year, children can still come to school in their PE kits on the days they have PE. As we can now teach a full indoor and outdoor curriculum, children must wear the appropriate PE uniform: When children have outdoor games, they can come in their outdoor PE kit and shoes. When

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children have gym or dance, they can wear their indoor PE kit (shorts and t-shirt) under their outdoor PE uniform to school.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,
The Year 6 Team

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