



Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well. This year has flown by, and we are in our final term.

This half term, Year 6 will have a Geography focus. Over the term, we will be answering the question *How is the land used in my local area, and does the area need improving?* We will be posing questions, completing fieldwork and presenting a geographical investigation.

Our class text is 'The Book of Hopes: Words and Pictures to Comfort, Inspire and Entertain,' by Katherine Rundell. This is a beautiful collection of short stories, extracts, poems, illustrations, and musings from many amazing children's authors, poets and illustrators.

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 producing a narrative based on the film 'Alma.' We will be writing setting descriptions and using speech to convey character.
- For our second writing task, we will be looking at a range of texts based on 'hope.' Inspired by what they have read, and their own feelings and wider experiences, pupils will create a class anthology of short stories, poems, anecdotes, and other texts, based on a shared theme of their choice.
- In Maths, we will be investigating real life maths problems that allow us to practise all the skills we have learnt in KS2.
- In PSHE, we will be looking at Relationships and Sex Education (RSE). This is to provide further knowledge and understanding of how changes during puberty can affect emotions and relationships.
- In Geography, we are learning about our local environment, what the land is used for, and deciding the best use for an unused piece of land.
- In P.E, we will be taking part in athletics, running 400m. We will also be learning to use backhand and forehand with a bat and the rules of cricket.
- In DT this half term, we will be designing and creating t-shirts for our end of year graduation. We will research a range of designers and review how t-shirts fit a specific purpose. We will practise our sewing skills and use what we have learnt to create and evaluate our final product.
- In Music, we will be learning a range of songs for our end of year production.

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:



On a Friday, your child will receive reading homework to be completed over the weekend. They are expected to read the text and find the meanings of the tricky vocabulary.

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 TT 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.

As your child has been given three SATs revision books, we would like them to complete pages regularly in preparation for high school.

Spellings will be sent home weekly, and there will be a weekly spelling test in class.

PE:

6 Oak – Monday

6 Elm- Wednesday

6 Cedar- Friday

On the day of their PE slot, children can wear their kit into school for the day.

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

At the end of term, we will be presenting our end of year performance. Audience is subject to updated government guidance. We will follow with more information.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 6 Team