

# Year 6- Summer Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a good Easter holiday and are well rested and looking forward to an exciting Summer Term.

In the first half of this term our topic work will be based around 'Invaders and Settlers' who have arrived in Britain since Roman times. We will link this learning across the curriculum and have pinpointed an educational visit to the British Museum to help support the children in their learning and to inspire the children to find out more about this topic. More details will follow regarding this trip later in the term.

In Maths the children will continue to work in their set groups; the focus will be on honing their problem solving skills to help prepare them for their SATs as well as giving them a solid base to move on to secondary school with in September. We will also be continuing to practise arithmetic and mental recall skills, working out ratio and proportion problems and developing their children's ability to use and interpret statistics.

In Science we will be studying 'Electricity and Light' which we hope will 'brighten up' the afternoons and give the children a few 'lightbulb' moments.

Our literacy work this term will cover a range of aspects. The children will continue to develop their reading skills through guided reading using a range of quality texts. Our writing focus will continue to develop the good progress the children have made so far and help to put their learning of grammatical structures to good use. The children will be developing writing portfolios, which will encourage them to use their skills to self-edit, extend and develop their vocabulary choices, whilst improving the style and layout of their extended writing.

We would like to remind you that all children need a reading folder so that they can bring a reading book home each evening. This is something that we feel is vital in helping the children to continue to make good progress and develop their reading enjoyment; we hope that they are making sufficient time at home to develop their reading skills.

For indoor PE, the children need a **plain white T shirt and blue or black well-fitting shorts**, leotard or leggings. These are to be brought to school in a small kit bag at the beginning of each half term and taken home when appropriate to be washed. Hopefully it won't be necessary, but should we have a snap of colder weather, children will also need joggers, a sweat shirt and trainers/plimsolls for outdoor games.

For the next couple of weeks the children will continue to be given a range of maths questions and comprehension activities to help them practise and develop the skills they have been learning in the classroom. It was fantastic to see so many of the children enthusiastically bringing their Easter homework back in to school this week – a big well done to those that completed it!

After SATs the children will be using a new home learning grid for this term based around our topics. They will need to select a few activities of their choice from the grid and date the activities they have chosen for that week.

If you have anything you wish to talk to us about, please feel free to make an appointment to speak with us.

Thank you for your continued support.

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