

Year 6 Spring Newsletter

I hope you have all had a good break and that your children have re-charged their batteries ready for 2019.

Year 6 had a lovely end to the autumn term with their visit to the Houses of Parliament and Northampton Theatre.

They also showed their caring and thoughtful nature with various fundraisers to help people struggling in today's world.

Homework will be set on a Thursday and needs to be handed in on a Tuesday. Spellings will continue to be tested on a Thursday.

Completion of homework is essential for year 6. The homework that we set is designed to secure understanding of the topics covered in lessons. We will continue with a focus on Punctuation and Grammar, and Maths.

Currently, children are finding the level of challenge in spellings and maths reasoning to be very high. Please support your child as much as possible in these important areas to help with their progress.

May is fast approaching, so we will continue to prepare the children for their S.A.T.s. Later in the term we will hold an information session for parents where you can try out some of the papers.

Our topic this term is 'Where in the World'. During this topic we will be learning about continents, countries and major cities. We will look at how lines of longitude and latitude help us to locate places and study the different climate zones.

During this topic we will study the location of natural resources across the planet and how trading relationships have been built up over time. There will be a particular focus on the topic of Fair Trade.

Feel free to share any artefacts, books or other memorabilia related to our topic. It really enriches the children's experience.

The Spelling Bee this term will focus on the suggested list from the government (our Gold list). Weekly spellings will focus on spelling rules and some common spellings tested in S.A.T.s. Please continue to support your children with this list of words, as we know that the spelling test will be words that follow these rules.

Year 6 P.E. days will be Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that P.E. kits are in school at all times. There is enough room in the cloakroom for P.E. kits to stay in school.

This term, we are looking forward to a museum trip and Sikh and Hindu visitors to help bring our learning to life.

At the end of the autumn term, the children sat the 2017 S.A.T.s paper. The children have been working very hard which has led to some pleasing results. We will continue regular S.A.T.s practise and share with you how your child is progressing towards the new standards expected at the end of year 6.

We always send the test papers home so that you know where the children are doing really well and where their next steps are. Please spend some time talking through these papers with your child so that they can show you're their success and ask for your advice and help in areas that are more challenging for them,

Kind regards,