

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and prosperous new year.

This term promises to be both interesting and challenging for the children as our main focus will be preparing the children for their SAT's tests at the beginning of next term. The emphasis will be on group teaching for much of the time this term in order to Improve the children's skills in Literacy and Numeracy. It would be helpful if parents could support their children at home in preparing them for the tests. There are some very useful Key Stage 2 revision books available in English and Mathematics from all good bookshops which would be of benefit to your child (If you would like further information please don't hesitate to ask)

We will also be continuing with our topic work which will focus on **The Mayans**, in addition we will also be having healthy living days throughout the whole school where the children will learn about benefits of good nutrition and exercise.

Vivienne Dompheh & Anita Sharif.

P.E.

This half term Y6 classes will continue to have PE on a Thursday afternoon (6H) and Friday afternoon (6D). Please ensure that you child is dressed in the appropriate kit—the cold days this term will require jogging bottoms or leggings and a long sleeved top as opposed to shorts and T-shirts.

HOMEWORK CLUB

Homework Club will resume this week on a Monday afternoon. Selected children will be invited to come in and receive extra help and assistance.

Reminder of Y6 commitment to having a Growth Mindset

Please work with us to help the children to have a 'Growth' mindset towards their learning and their attitudes. This means that children should be aware that they are constantly striving to do their best and fulfil their potential. This includes the following:

- Have an 'I can if I work hard' mindset
- Learning that mistakes help us to learn
- Be role models to the other children in the school
- Work extremely hard and achieve the best you can
- Believe in yourself

HOMEWORK & SPELLING

Homework and spelling will continue to be given out on a Thursday and will be collected the following Tuesday.

Please ensure that your child completes and returns all the homework this term as it reinforces and builds on skills we have been working on in class. Please take the time to look over homework before it is handed in and make sure it is of an acceptable standard.

SCHOOL JOURNEY To PGL

A reminder that we will be taking the Year 6 children on a residential trip to PGL in Surrey in June.

YEAR 6 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January

Mon 15th

Healthy Living Week
After School Clubs start
Athletics Competition
RE Day

Wed 17th

Thurs 18th

February

Wed 7th

Fri 9th

Half term

Mon 19th

Week Beginning 26th - Book Week

Y5/6 Netball
Inset Day— School Closed
12th -16th February
School Open to Pupils

March

Thurs 1st

Mon 12th

Thurs 22nd

Thurs 29th

World Book Day
Last Week of Clubs
Parents' Evening 4-8pm
LAST DAY OF TERM
(Own clothes day)

If any of these dates or times change we will endeavour to inform you as soon as possible.

READING

Please continue to support your child with their reading as this will help with their comprehension skills and vocabulary and grammar skills which they will be tested on at the end of the year.

We have a range of books available which can be taken home throughout the week .