

Dear Parent/Carer,

This half-term we are really pleased with the attitude that the children have following their half-term break. It is great to see them rising to the challenges of Year 6. Keep it up, everyone!

### Maths

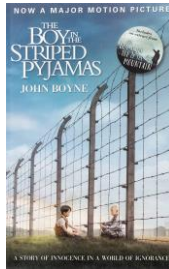
In **Maths**, we will be learning all about measurement before moving onto learning about algebra, ratio and statistics. Children are encouraged to use the revision books sent home before half term to practice the areas we have covered already in Year 6. We will also be revising for our upcoming SATs tests with regular arithmetic lessons to practise the four key operations and develop our fluency skills.

### English

This half term, in **English**, we will be covering a variety of genres of text types including descriptive writing, letters and a persuasive leaflet. We have been very impressed with childrens enthusiasm in their writing and their ability to edit and improve their work. This half term we would like to see children applying all the skills they have learned so far in order to show us their very best writing! Our key text will be *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas* – a book which our Year 6 pupils always enjoy.

### History – World War II

In **History**, we will be focusing on life during World War II. We will find out about life for those who fought for our country, as well as those who stayed at home. We will link our learning to our English writing and are very excited to be visiting Eden Camp where we will see examples of WW2 bomb shelters and many artefacts from that time.



### Science – Living Things and Their Habitats

Our focus in Science will be Living Things and Their Habitats. We will learn about the classification of living things, including micro-organisms. They will find out about the standard system of classification first developed by Carl Linnaeus, micro-organisms, and conduct an investigation into the growth of mould on bread.

### PE

Our PE focus this half term is football. Pupils will be developing flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance across a range of exciting lessons. This will lead up to a series of mini-tournaments that will allow all to flourish and show their competitive sides.

### RE

Pupils will be looking at the Easter story and finding out what Christians believe about Jesus' death and resurrection. As always, RE lessons will promote discussion and discovery.

### PSHE

Across this half term, Year 6 will be learning about drugs, alcohol and tobacco. They will discuss the impact these things have on the bodies, both physically and mentally. If pupils have any concerns around these subjects, we encourage them to us our worry boxes, time-to-talk slips or, come and speak to us.

### 'Our' Place in 'Our' World.

Our work around World War 2 will give children the opportunity to identify how 'everyday' people contributed to life and adapted to challenges during WW2.

### Aspiring Entrepreneurs

To tie in with our English topic, and following a fantastic trip to Eden Camp, our entrepreneurs will be encouraging others to go through a persuasive leaflet.

### Healthy and Happy Living

Our PSHE focus this half term will educate pupils about the dangers of drugs, tobacco and alcohol, and will promote a healthy and happy lifestyle.

### Inquisitive Investigators

Our work in Science will encourage us to think about how to conduct experiments. Pupils will carry out a school-wide biscuit investigation for Science Week that will encourage real scientific investigation.

### Important information & Dates to remember:

- Children can practice their times tables using the Times Tables Rock Stars website.
- Reading books should be bought in on Thursday for exchanging. New books will be issued on Mondays.
- Spellings are sent home on Friday and tested on the following Friday.
- We recommend that children read at least four times a week at home, ideally with an adult.
- SATs 9/5/2022 - please be aware that all pupils must be present for the SATs tests; no holiday will be permitted during this period.