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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Year 6

I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas break. Here is the newsletter to inform you of the events and curriculum in Year 6 for the Spring term.

What and When.....

- P.E takes place on Mondays. Full kits need to be in school on that day. Please ensure that earrings are removed before your child comes to school on P.E days if your child is unable to remove them independently.
- Homework is set on Fridays and is due in on Wednesdays. Please note the new Homework Challenge Menu for Spring 1!
- Spellings are set on Tuesdays and tested on the following Tuesday.
- Your child continues to have an independent reading book. To maximise their progress in reading and therefore in writing, please encourage your child to continue to read each day for 20 minutes. To maximise your child's progress, spend some time asking your child some questions about what they have read - especially encouraging them to voice their opinion about characters etc. Also, please continue to make comments about your child's reading in their book. Please ensure that their reading record book is in school with their reading book, every day. It is the children's responsibility to change their book when required. Thank you.

What's Happening Now?

Our topic for this half-term will be on natural disasters. We will be focusing on flooding and tsunamis. In topic lessons we will learn how tsunamis start and also about the 1953 flood in King's Lynn when the river burst its banks



A Voyage of Discovery

After February half-term, our topic will be *A Voyage of Discovery* about Charles Darwin. During topic lessons, the children will be discovering the significance of the equator, Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. The class will study biomes and reflect on what biomes Darwin visited.



English

Our English shall be linked to our topic. During this half-term we will be learning about narratives and newspaper reports. We use a book led approach to our lessons. The book the children will be studying this half term is *Floodland* by Marcus Sedgwick.

Maths

This half term, Year 6 will learning about equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages. We will then move on to measures, including area and perimeter. We will continue to practise daily arithmetic in all areas.

Science - We will be looking at the Circulatory system and doing experiments measuring pulse and breathing rates.

Mrs Grimmer will continue to teach the children on a Monday and in the afternoons she will be teaching RE.

Mrs Khatri, Mrs Grimmer and I look forward to a hardworking and enjoyable term. Should you have any concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's progress then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs. Maddison

Year 6 Teacher