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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas break. I look forward to working with the children in the New Year on some exciting topics!

What's Happening Now?

Our topic for this half-term will be on natural disasters. We will be focusing on flooding and tsunamis. In geography lessons your child will learn about the water cycle, importance of rivers and river pollution. In history, your child will learn about 1953 when the river burst its banks and

King's Lynn was flooded. The class will learn about the famous Japanese art 'The Great Wave off Kanagawa'.



A Voyage of Discovery

After February half-term our topic will be *A Voyage of Discovery* about Charles Darwin. During geography lessons, the children will be discovering the significance of the equator, Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn. Also, the children will be learning other key geography vocabulary, such as latitude and longitude. The class will study biomes and reflect on what biomes Darwin visited. In Art and Design, the children will be learning about Leonardo da Vinci's drawings of animals and plants. The class will have the opportunity to create their own art through the technique of cross-hatching.



English

Our English shall be linked to our topic. During this half-term your child 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.

Reading

Your child will take home two books. One which is at their accelerated reader score and one which they have chosen from our school library. Please help your child to develop their reading skills by encouraging them to read at home each week. Therefore, please help your child by filling in the reading record when they have read at home.



Maths

Our class will continue to practise their arithmetic skills daily. The children will use *Tackling Tables* each week to support rapid recall of times tables. During this term the class will study fractions, decimals and percentages.



Science

During the first half of the Spring term, the children will develop their understanding of mixtures. After the half-term break, the children shall be finding out about forces.

French

Mrs. Grimmer will be teaching the class how to tell the time, count 31-60 and find out about French festivals.

R.E.

The class will be looking into Jewish worship and Communities. After half term, we will be studying Buddhism.

Music

Mrs. Grimmer will be teaching the children about rap music and learning the Fresh Prince of Bel Air.

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P.E.

Please could children have their P.E. kit in school at all times, as we may have the opportunity for extra P.E. Our dedicated time for P.E. is **Mondays** to learn Multi-Sports. After half term, the children will be learning gymnastics.



Homework

Please make time for your child to complete their homework, supporting them as required. Homework will be set on **Thursday** to be brought in the following Thursday.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss. Wilby

Y5/6 Class Teacher