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Dear Children, Parents/Carers,

Year 6 Newsletter for Spring Term 2

Welcome back from your half term break! We hope you are all feeling refreshed, and that you are looking forward to another fun-filled term. Last term saw some fantastic learning experiences taking place in year 6. We have been so impressed with the variety of Emporiums that have been coming into classes since half term (as well as those that have been emailed to the Year 6 account). What fabulous creativity with our optional homework!

In this letter we outline what is coming up this half term.

Dates for your diary:

Second hand book sale – Friday 6th March

Parents evenings - Tuesday 17th March & Thursday 19th March

Future dates:

SATs week – Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May

Maya day – Friday 15th May

Year 6 residential 13th July – 16th July

Leaver's assembly – Friday 24th July

Maths: We will start the half term continuing working on algebra before moving on to looking at shapes, including angles in shapes.

English: Our English work will all be based around writing to entertain, persuade and inform. Within our writing lessons, children will have the opportunity to write a poem based on 'A Dreadful Menace', an instructional text on how to survive in the Antarctic and to write a motivational speech.

Science: Units will be based around a question which aims to inspire the children. In science this half-term, we will be learning about the circulatory system and lifestyle whilst answering the question, 'Why does our heart beat?'.

PE- Tag-rugby with Mrs Turner (Monday) and archery with Mr McWilliams doing Archery (Thursday afternoons). We ask that children come to school in their PE kit on these days.

RE- The children will be exploring Muslim beliefs and answering the questions 'What do Muslims believe?'

Computing- This term the children will be completing our iData unit of learning. Within this, children will explore how spreadsheets can be used, how they can store data and how formula and graphs can be used/made.

Art: We will be looking at the work of an artist named Paul Klee and designing and making our own 'Rod Puppets'.

PSHE: We will be looking at our 'Dreams and Goals' unit. Children will consider the aspirations for the future.

Music: In this unit, pupils will explore the key musical features of the track 'You to me are everything' and develop an understanding of the term 'cover version'. We will then be looking at improvisation and body percussion, inspired by the traditional nursery rhyme, 'Twinkle, Twinkle'.

Geography: Our new Geography topic will be all about Antarctica. We will be learning about lines of latitude and longitude, and what makes Antarctica one of the most extreme places on Earth.

Homework- Pages within the CGP book will be set on a Friday (returned by the following Friday – ready to mark) each week. The children will be expected to read regularly throughout the week, discussing the content and expressing opinions on what they have read. We also expect the children to access EdShed at least 4 times a week to practice their weekly spellings. Spelling tests will be on a Thursday. Children should also practice their times tables using Times Tables Rockstars for 15 minutes across the whole week (not per day).

If you have any questions about this term, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you.

Year 6 Team

