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Dear Children, Parents/Carers

### Year 6 newsletter for Autumn Term 1

Welcome back from your summer break and welcome to Year 6! In this letter we outline the topics we will be covering this term and some information about life in Year 6. We have lots of interesting plans for the year ahead and we look forward to jumping in!

**Maths:** Place value, mental and written calculation methods for all four number operations.

**English:** All English lessons will be linked to either the Science or Humanities topics. The first unit will support our History topic (WW2) as we focus on the novel 'Letters From The Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. We will then read the moving book 'Rose Blanche' to find out about the life of children who lived in Europe during the war.

**Science and Humanities:** Our History topic for the Autumn Term will be World War 2. We will be delving into what led to the war and how it impacted the lives of adults and children. We will learn about the Geography of Europe and focus on the country of Germany and what life is like there today. In science, we will look at how electric circuits work and their components.

**PE-** We will have one PE session with Mr Haxby (Thursday afternoons) and have a further lesson where we will learn to play dodgeball (Friday afternoons). Please note that both PE sessions will be outside whenever possible. **On P.E. days we ask that the children come to school dressed in their P.E. kit. Please ensure your child has the correct P.E. kit as described on the school website.**

**RE-** The children will be exploring people who make a difference in the world and what motivates them.

**Computing-** The focus of our initial computing lessons will be e-safety and how we can use the wonders of technology in a safe way, being good digital citizens.

**Music** – We will learn wartime songs that children would have enjoyed singing in the shelters.

**DT** – We will be making a model air raid shelter and testing it to see if it is effective!

**Art-** The children will be producing artwork inspired by WW2 and the work of Henry Moore.

**Homework-** The children will be expected to read regularly throughout the week, discussing the content and expressing opinions on what they have read. Take care points will be on offer to children who record their reading every day! It is an expectation that, by Year 6, children can confidently recall and apply their times tables knowledge. Please support your child in achieving this and encourage them to use Times Tables Rockstars for regular practice. We will also be sending home a piece of English and Maths per week, which will be given out on a Friday. We will also set spellings each week. These will be tested on a Tuesday and can be practiced using Spelling Shed.

If you have any questions about this term, please feel free to contact the school office or write a note in your child's reading diary.

Thank you.

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Class Teacher 6G

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Class Teacher 6W

