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Dear Children, Parents/Carers

Year 6 newsletter for Autumn 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. It's fair to say that the children have jumped into Year 6 with both feet and have enjoyed the topics we have covered. In this letter we outline what is coming up this half term.

Dates for your diary:

Parents evenings: Tuesday 14th November & Thursday 16th November.

Christmas Fair: Friday 1st December. The year 6s have been asked to help with some Christmas games for this event. We will be talking to the children about this nearer the time.

Future date: Year 6 residential 21st – 24th May 2024. More information will be sent in the coming weeks.

Maths: Working with fractions (equivalent fractions, simplifying fractions and calculating with fractions).

English: This term we will continue to link our English work to WW2. We will start by reading a picture book called *Rose Blanche* before focusing on diary writing using Anne Frank's diary. We will also be writing a biography about Anne Frank's experience in the secret annex.

Science and Humanities: All units will be based around a question which aims to inspire the children. In science this question will be: *How do we see?* as we learn about light and shadows. We will begin our new Geography topic, *'What are natural resources and why do we use them?'* where we will be exploring natural resources, sustainability and trade.

PE- Dance (Monday) and a further PE session with Miss James doing Hockey (Wednesday afternoons). We ask that children come to school in their PE kit on these days.

RE- The children will be exploring how life can be seen as a journey and how different religions celebrate key events within life. E.g, Baptism in Christianity or the Sacred Thread ceremony in Hinduism.

Computing- This term the children will be completing our iDraw unit of learning. Within this, children will be using the programme SketchUp to create 3D models of their DT designs.

DT: We will be researching, planning, building and testing structures this half term in the form of model WWII shelters.

Spanish: We will be looking at the unit 'Do you have a pet?'

Homework- 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 practise their weekly spellings. Spelling tests will be on a Thursday. Children should also practise their times tables using Times Tables Rockstars for 15 minutes across the whole week (not per day). There will also be an optional topic-based homework once a half term, details of which will be given nearer the time.

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

Thank you.

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