

# Love Learning, Love Life Always Aiming High



Welcome to our final term in Year 6,

I hope you have all enjoyed the Easter break and are ready to work hard this term! We have lots to learn and I am very excited about the topics we will be covering. There will be a huge focus upon number strategies this half term; everybody must have quick recall of their times tables (in and out of order) to help us undertake complex sums more efficiently. SATs are just around the corner now, so we must be practising all of our essential skills!

## Other Adults in the Class

This term, Mrs Deakin will be teaching in class on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. We will be joined by Miss Norton in the mornings, Wednesday to Friday, and Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Mrs West will be supporting us on Monday afternoons too.

## PE

Now that swimming has ended, we will be returning to two PE lessons a week. There will be one with myself, on Thursday, and one on Friday with Mr Wynne. You will need your PE kit for both of these lessons, so please ensure you bring it in every week.

## Homework, Spellings and Reading

Reading books need to be changed frequently - don't forget to bring your Reading Record and book in everyday so that we can keep track of the books you are reading. Like last term, reading records will be checked on a Tuesday and Friday. Spellings for the half term will be glued into Learning Logs at the beginning of each half term, as previously done. I expect you to learn your spellings week by week throughout the term - remember, you need to be able to spell Year5/6 words correctly most of the time, to be working at the expected level. Like last term, homework will be set on a Friday and due in the following Wednesday. Please attempt your homework as much as possible, as it will focus on key skills essential for the upcoming SATs tests.

As we approach the SATs, any time that you can give to practising maths, grammar and reading skills would be very beneficial. I have put a list on revision resources on the class webpage, similar to those sent home over Easter.

Mr Grierson

Can we change the world?



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In **Science** this term, we will be focusing on the topic of 'Electricity'. We will be identifying common appliances that run on electricity and construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs and switches. We will then be using the inspiration of the Titanic to carry out lots of different scientific experiments, using different materials and skills.

This term, we will have our final two blocks **DT**. In our first block we will be designing and pitching and underwater diving lamp, inspired by our English text and applying our Science skills. In our final block, we will design and create our own T-shirts, incorporating sewing, tie-dye or batik in our designs!

In **English**, we will be focusing on a book called 'Manfish'. We will be learning to use relative clauses, colons, hyphens and cohesive devices to make our writing flow. The end outcome of our unit will be to write a biography/hybrid text based around the book. After the half term, we will be reading the book 'Sky Chasers' this unit will be an opportunity for you to apply and practise all of your Y6 skills!

In **Reading**, we will be focusing our read and retrieve skills as well as our inference-based skills. These are very important skills to have to help us comprehend any texts that we read! First, we will focus on 'Great Adventurers' by Alastair Humphreys, followed by 'Sky Chasers' by Emma Carroll after half term.

In **Maths**, we will be finishing our maths teaching with the topic of Geometry (looking at position and direction) and statistics. We will then be recapping past topics (such as long division, long multiplication, fractions and percentages) ahead of our SATs tests. Finally, we will work on projects that help to consolidate our learning and test our problem solving skills.



Our **Geography** this term will finish our topic on South America, before moving to focus on revisiting our geographical based skills that you should have acquired through your time in school. We will focus on map-based skills, compass points and grid references.



In **French**, we will continue to develop our skills in conversational French including describing Café culture, restaurants and breakfast foods.



In **Music**, we will study different music genres including electronic and acoustic, look at pieces by different DJs, and compose our own raps. We will begin the unit with the song 'Something helpful' by Anna Meredith.

In **RE** during the Summer term, we will be focusing on some of the differences and similarities within Christianity locally and globally. We will also at Christianity and their belief in the afterlife.



In **PE**, we will be focusing on games style PE including adapted versions of rounders, and also other outdoor adventure activities. In the final summer term, we will focus on our athletic skills to improve flexibility, strength and balance.

In **Computing**, we will be finishing our unit using CAD systems to produce 2D and 3D models. We will then create a website focusing on growing up in a digital world.

