



## Summer - Term 5 and 6 – Year 6 Parent Newsletter



Dear Parents,

We hope you had a great Easter and a good break from school. The children appear to be refreshed and ready for another productive and hard-working term. It is not long until the End of Key Stage Assessments (SATS) when the children can show the progress we know they have made this year. Our term has started off well and the children are all working incredibly hard with a challenging curriculum.

**End of Key Stage 2 assessments** The 'End of Key Stage 2 assessments' take place throughout the week of **8<sup>th</sup> May**. Children **must** attend school throughout this week. Whilst these assessments are only one small part of your child's time at our school, it is important that they achieve their full potential. As long as they work hard and try hard then they will have personal success. If your child is worried, remind them of this!

**Welcome** We will be welcoming Ms Mullervy to Year 6 this term. She is completing her final teaching placement from Oxford Brookes University and I am sure will gain a great deal from being part of our school community. She will be taking a key teaching role and will be working closely alongside the Year 6 teaching team.

**Curriculum** Our topic this term is called 'Diversity'. This is a great topic and encompasses many aspects of learning. The work we have planned is wide ranging and will help the children to prepare for their next stage of learning and evaluate what it means to be citizens of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The children will be exploring the diversity of the world around us and the benefits this brings. They will be finding out about cultural, economic, political and religious diversity as well as the differences they experience within their daily lives. We will particularly be looking at Islam in RE and how the ancient civilisation of Baghdad c. AD900 compares to British ancient civilisations in history. In geography we will be comparing physical features, climate and how cities compare to rural life. On top of this we have a production in term 6 and all of the leavers' celebrations to organise!

**PE** PE days this term continue to be on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**. If children do not bring in their kit they will be provided with spare kit that we have in school to use so that they do not miss out on this vital part of the curriculum. Please remember to label all PE kit, school tops, jumpers and trainers/shoes. As some of you will have already found out, Year 6 children can still lose things! This is also important for all uniform and coats. The children who went swimming last term will be no longer required to go on Fridays. Well done to them all for their perseverance and resilience.

### Homework

As you will have realised, the Year 6 homework has become more ad-hoc than previously to allow scope for the work to be set based on booster sessions, tailored to the needs of the children. This will continue until after SATs then homework will resume on Tuesdays to be handed in on Mondays.

**Friday** - Spellings or word and sentence work will be given out on Wednesday to be handed in on the following Wednesday.

We are looking forward to a term full of activity, learning and great progress. As always, if you have any questions please get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Rachel Chadbourne and Jane Leaver