# Year 6 Newsletter

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## Welcome Back,

I hope everyone is safe and well and enjoyed the half term break. We will be covering the following during the next half-term:

#### Maths



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This half term we will be continuing our work calculating using known structures. We will then turn to look at multiples of 1000 and numbers up to 10,000,00. We will also be continuing with mental calculations and building on our arithmetic skills. As always, times tables will be vital, please continue to use resources at home to help, such as TT Rockstars.

# English Writing

This half-term the children will be focusing on enhancing their historical narrative writing. We will be exploring *Treason* by Berlie Doherty and using the structure to inspire us to write our own stories. Our focuses will be varying sentence openers, high quality punctuation (such as colons & semi-colons) and using adverbial and prepositional phrases. We will also be writing a newspaper report based on the Tudors.

### Reading:

As mentioned earlier this academic year, support with reading at home is extremely appreciated and will help the children experience a wide range of vocabulary. Reading with the children at home and/or discussing books and texts helps them to continually develop their knowledge and understanding. Children will undertake at least three in-class reading sessions per week and also have time in class to read for pleasure. Please encourage your child to update their own reading comments at home or feel free to add comments if you have read with your child.



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#### Themes

In our theme work we will be focusing on History, where we will look in depth at Henry VIII and question why he married six times. We will be exploring historical sources and evidence to answer questions.

In Science we will be looking at Light. Exploring how we see and understanding that light travels in a straight line.

 $DT \doteq$  This half term we will be designing, making and evaluating our own Christmas product for our theme based on The Wizard Oz.

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#### <u>Spellings</u>

Spellings will be given out each Friday. To practise spellings your child can write out the word, cover, then practise writing down the correct spelling. In class your child will look at the spelling pattern and spelling rule. It may help to underline the rule or pattern in each word when practising. Spelling practise can be short bursts throughout the week and completed in a written form or orally.

To fully understand the spelling word, please encourage your child to look up the meanings each week. Please upload any spelling work on to ClassDojo.

#### Maths

Maths homework will be sent out each week focusing on arithmetic skills.

**<u>SPaG-</u>** A task linked to punctuation or grammar will be set each week, this may be a task to complete on-line or in written form.

## P.E Days

Monday & Thursday

Please ensure your child has a full Godley P.E kit in school. This consists of a white t.-shirt, black shorts and trainers. As the weather is getting colder, your child may bring tracksuit bottoms and a top/fleece to wear. These must be either black or grey or at the very least, dark in colour.

If you would like any further information about this half-term, please use ClassDojo as a means of communication.

# Thank you for your continuing Support. Year 6 Team.