



#### Key Information

**PE day** – Wednesday for 6PW/6DW and Thursday for 6LS

**Parents welcome** – Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December @2:30-3:20  
Parents are invited to attend a Christmas Card creation workshop.

#### Star of the week

6PW – Thomas M and Sophie R  
6LS – Harry H and Heath S  
6DW – Tobias R and Lucy G

#### Message from the Year 6 Team

Good evening. Thank you for a fab week back at school and for remembering how to be wonderful pupils. This week we are starting our SATs homework (Maths, Reading and Grammar).

#### **Year 6 Sats Homework**

**Reading** – Page 2/3 – Dragon Pearl

**Maths** – Page 4/5 – Negative numbers & Roman Numerals

**Grammar** – Page 82/83 – Words ending ible/able

#### Attendance

F2 96.2%    Y1 95.3%    Y2 95.6%    Y3 96.1%    Y4 97.1%    Y5 96.5%    Y6 96.7%

The whole school target for attendance is 97%

#### This week's learning

**Maths** – Division of fractions and other operations.

**English** – Holes – Exploring vocabulary and using in context for a purpose.

**PE** – Gymnastics and Football – Please ensure that children have appropriate footwear.

**RSHE** – Bullying and fairness – what should our world be like?

**Topic** – What is Texas like?

**D&T** – Designing and building a land cart

#### Message from Mr Wilkes

We have welcomed lots of prospective parents to school this week who are looking for places for their children in September. It has been great to meet so many people in our community. We have an open session on Saturday morning from 9.30 until 11 and another open event next Thursday evening at 4pm. Please pass this on if you know of anyone looking for school places.

The first meeting of our Eco Council took place this week with Miss Howe. They will be supporting the school with our climate action plan and will be focusing on traffic and pollution as their first project.

I wrote to you in the Summer term asking for your thoughts on the residential visits and experiences the children have during their time at The Lanes. Thank you for your responses. We spent last year reviewing our offer, considering the educational value, the value for money and the quality of the activities and centres. We will be changing the Year 5 visit from two nights in York to one night. This will make the costings more manageable, whilst enabling us to focus on the high-quality activities. This visit will take place in March and more details will follow. We have paused the Year 3 residential to Mount Cook for this year as we felt that it did not link sufficiently well to the curriculum learning and was not good value for money. The children will have a day visit to Creswell Crags which will give a really high-quality opportunity for learning and we are currently exploring a way to create a residential experience at a more significantly reduced cost. When we have more details of this we will let you know.

I understand this is a change and some children may be disappointed. However, in order to sustain these experiences in the current financial climate, in terms of cost of living and educational budgets, we need to make some changes. These visits are an integral part of the school offer, and we will continue to work hard to ensure they are protected in a way that is sustainable and inclusive.