

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope that you have had an enjoyable Christmas holiday. This term we are focusing on World War II; please look at our topic web which explains our outcomes in more detail.

Reading is a real focus in our class so please can you continue to listen to your child read as often as possible. Please ask them questions to support their understanding of the text. We have worked hard at referencing the text to support our answers. The children need to write a comment in their reading record, briefly recalling what they have read.

I would also like the children to continue to complete doodle maths every day. It is really helping so many of them with their maths and will continue to identify and target any areas that they find difficult.

Each week the children will also be asked to complete a SATs paper which will be rotated between reading, maths and grammar. This will be given out on a Monday and must be back the following Monday as we will go through the answers as a whole class on this day. It is important that you go through the paper with your child and check how they have got on. This will really help them to progress and identify areas that they may need more support with.

Things to remember every day:

Please can we offer a reminder of the schedule in Year 6 and the things the children need to have in school:

Firstly, reading records should come in **every day** and will be checked on a Monday. In Secondary School, children will have to have their planners every day, in every lesson so to get them secondary ready, we are going to start monitoring this more closely. Secondly, PE will be on a Monday and Thursday.

Children need to bring their water bottles every day please – hydration is so important for keeping their brains working during this busy time!

Regards

Mrs Green and Mrs Howell