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Year 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a good break and the children are well-rested and looking forward to the very busy term ahead.

Topic

This term, our new topic is 'A Child's War'. The topic will focus on life in Manchester during World War II, particularly for children. We will be looking at key events during World War II, including the Battle of Britain, evacuation and the Blitz, and their impact on people's living experiences. In addition, we will be looking at a range of maps to establish how Manchester changed as a result of the war.

English

The children will be studying a range of genres in their English lessons that will be linked to our topic work. Through analysing and developing a range of diary extracts and narratives based on World War II, the children will develop a greater understanding of the experiences of living conditions during the war and this knowledge will be integrated in to our work on flashback narratives. We will continue to develop the use of the grammatical concepts and features.

In Reading, the children will continue to develop their inference, deduction and reasoning skills. We will continue our analysis of high-quality texts to develop an understanding of how authors have used rich vocabulary, grammatical structures and punctuation to create a specific effect. We will be particularly looking at the significant speeches of World War II and, those of significant figures in recent years, to understand how language can be used to evoke emotion and unity. Please continue to support your child's reading by encouraging them to read daily and share their reading with you. It is important for the children to talk about and question what they read in order to develop a secure understanding of the texts they access.

Maths

In Maths, we shall start by covering work on decimals and percentages, building on our fractions work from last term. As with our work last term, there is a greater emphasis on the children working systematically through problems and using their mathematical reasoning to explain their approach. Further work on calculation methods will include using formal written methods for multiplication and division. As the term progresses, we will also be covering units on measurement, geometry, algebra and ratio.

Science

This term we will begin with '**Light and Electricity**', exploring how the two work together in the development of our DT project. Later in the term, '**Animals, including humans**' which will cover the circulatory system and the main functions of the heart, blood and blood vessels. We will also be exploring the importance of maintaining a balanced diet and the effects of exercise, drugs and lifestyle choices on how the human body functions.

PSHE

Our PSHE this term will explore how we live in the wider world through three key questions: What does prejudice look like today? How do we manage negativity online? How do people's attitudes towards money differ?

PE

Year 6 PE will continue to take place on **Monday** and **Thursday**.

Homework

Homework	Given	Returned/tested
Spelling	For the half term	Monday
Maths and English	Wednesday	Monday
As reading is a fundamental part of their learning, the children are expected to read for 15-20 minutes daily throughout the week, with reading recorded in their yellow homework diaries. Homework diaries are checked weekly.		
Maths and Spelling Shed – the children have access to Ed Shed and they are encouraged to visit the site regularly to reinforce their knowledge of multiplication facts. In Year 6, the children should be secure with multiplication and corresponding division facts so that they can apply their knowledge to other mathematical concepts with ease.		

Information regarding SATs

Key Stage 2 SATs week will take place from the week commencing Monday, 9th May 2022

Monday 9th May	English: Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling - Paper 1 - Questions English: Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling - Paper 2 – Spelling
Tuesday 10th May	English: Reading
Wednesday 11th May	Mathematics: Paper 1 – Arithmetic Mathematics: Paper 2 – Reasoning
Thursday 12th May	Mathematics: Paper 3 – Reasoning

Please put these important dates in your diary so that it does not conflict with other arrangements. These are national tests and attendance is very important. If your child does not attend an examination he or she will not be given a mark.

There will be a SATs information meeting next half term. Further information will be sent out via letter and Class Dojo in due course.

If you would like more details of what we are doing, or if you have any queries about your child's progress, please contact me via ClassDojo.

Yours sincerely,

Miss K Lloyd
Class Teacher