

Dear Parents and Carers.

This term we will do PE on Wednesdays and Fridays, so please ensure your child is in PE kit on these days (beginning next week). For the safety of your child in PE, children with long hair should have it tied back and any earrings should be removed prior to school or, if this is not possible, they will be covered with medical tape for the PE session. Also please be prepared for the weather turning warm but can be changeable. Y6 will also be going swimming on a Tuesday.

Homework will be issued on a Friday and should be returned on a Wednesday. This will be varied week by week to ensure a balance between English, Maths and Topic and will be based on what we have covered to embed our learning. Y6 will be focused on SATs books, where they will be set a few pages of different revision books for Maths and English. We will be taking part in SATs week during May and more information will be coming about how the week will work.

Your child will be bringing home a reading book to read at home, please ensure this is returned to school every day so they are ready for use in class. Please could you also ensure that any extra equipment your child requires (for example, glasses) is brought to school each day. Thank you.

We will continue to have French delivered by Mrs Adams every fortnight. In PSHE, we will explore mental health and how to emphasise our wellbeing when we are stressed.

This term our topic is based around History called *Groundbreaking Greeks*. We will be learning all about the Ancient Greeks, how they lived, their democracy and the geography of Greece. We will also be studying significant Athenians and how they have influenced our lives.

In Science, we are studying properties and changes of materials. This will involve testing materials and looking at solubility, conductivity and how materials mix. Then we will explore different changes - some are reversible and some are not.

In Art we are learning about mixed media and how to create pieces using different forms of paper. We will also look at significant artists linked to this topic.

In RE, we are exploring Hinduism and comparing it to other religions we know.

During the term, our English units will centre around some short animation films, such as *Road's End* and *Catch a Lot*. We will write pieces focusing on dialogue to practise our speech punctuation. We will also plan and write scenes from different viewpoints. During Term 6, we will also explore how to write letters of complaint in both formal and informal styles. We will continue to work on our spelling and grammar skills, ready for the Y6 SATs and Y5 end of year assessments.

In Maths we will cover a range of topics including ratio, algebra, position and direction, statistics and how to convert units of measurement. Remember you can use the home learning videos on the White Rose Website to keep up to date with what we are learning about.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch with any questions, queries or concerns.

Mrs Malloch-Rear