Year 6 Newsletter - Spring 2 2020:

Dear Parents,

I hope you have had enjoyed your break.

This half-term, we will continue to provide plenty of engaging and challenging work for the children to encounter.

If you have any questions or queries about the curriculum, homework or anything else, please do come and see us (before or after school).

English	Our class author, this term, is - Michael Morpurgo. You can find out a wealth of information on him and his works
	here: https://www.michaelmorpurgo.com/
	Our first English unit will focus on Poetry where we will be developing the children's ability to emotionally impact the
	reader. The model text that we will study is - Sympathy by Paul Laurence Dunbar.
	We will then move on to Narrative writing where the children focus on developing strong characterisation.
Reading for	We will also be focusing on supporting the children to read for pleasure. To find out more, follow the link:
Pleasure	http://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk
	We will continue this year's reading journey with a range of carefully selected picture books which will be read daily
A SAME OF THE SAME	to the children. I would like to recommend A Stone for Sascha by Aaron Becker
	A beautiful wordless picture-book about a young girl who finds a stone which takes the reader on an incredible
	journey through magical, mystical and historical worlds.
Maths	This half term, we will be continuing with Number, revising and deepening the children's knowledge of:
2.5° 2.5° 4.5° 4.5°	Decimals before we then move on to percentages.
	Use the website - Maths is Fun - as a way of exploring these topics.
	https://www.mathsisfun.com
	All children have been given their TTRockstars logins - please encourage your child to use this regularly.
Science	The focus for Science, this half term is Animals including humans
	The children will continue to identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the
	functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.
	They will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.
	Then, they will describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans
	Here is a website with some interesting information, to get you started on our Science topic, this half term:
	https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwdr6yc
†C	In RE, we will be focusing on -Understanding Christianity (Salvation)
	Our Bible study will be in line with our Heritage theme - Our Passions,
	where we will study the passion of Jesus Christ.
	The following website provides a visual commentary of many well-known biblical stories.
	https://thevcs.org/about
Computing	The focus in Computing, this half term is:
	Text Adventures (Computer Science).
	We will be studying how to effectively design, plan and code a story adventure.
Topic	Our Sharing Literacy Lives Theme is Our Passions and our subject focus is History .
	The children will study The Battle of Britain (WWII) and the significance of the war on modern day Britain today.
	As always, we value and look forward to your attendance on parents to school day.
PF	This half-term the children will be learning Invasion Games (Tag Rugby).
£,*	Physical Education will continue to be taught by Mr Browne, on Wednesday Afternoon.
	Children need a full PE kit, which needs to include black shorts/leggings, a white t-shirt and pumps/trainers.
Music	In Music this half term, children will study the unit:
	I'll be there
	This unit centres around the songs of Michael Jackson.
	Within this unit, children will: listen & appraise; new progressive warm-up games and improvisation
Foreign	In Foreign Languages this half term, children will continue to build on their prior knowledge by building and
Languages	translating sentences in Latin.

<u>Attendance</u>

In order for your child to get the best out of school and maximise their learning, please make sure your child is on time for school and comes to school every day. School starts at 8.45am. Thank you.

<u>Homework</u>

Homework differs from week to week but every Friday children are given a homework reminder sheet, which details what homework has been handed and what children need to do for the following week, in terms of retrieval quizzing. Children should now have a revision timetable set up and being followed on the lead up to their statutory assessments in May.

Please encourage your child to read for at least 15 minutes a night!

If you are unsure of what to do, please come and see us before or after school.