



YEAR 6 SPRING 2017

Dear Parents,

We hope that you have had a good start to 2017. This promises to be a very significant and special year for your children as they move onto secondary school, but there is still so much to happen in Year 6 first.

Topics

Science: Electricity; Earth, Moon and Sun

Art: A Sense of Place

Design and Technology: Fairground Rides

Geography: North America

From time to time we will be asking for volunteers to help with practical school-based activities. If you have a particular area of expertise related to any of our topics or are just willing to be involved, we would be extremely grateful for any offers of help. Giving up time to hear children read is always very much appreciated.

Homework

We have been delighted to see how well the children have responded to completing their homework tasks within a short time scale. This term, we will continue to set work twice a week which follows logically from the lessons and, for this reason, we expect it to be completed promptly in order to maximise its effectiveness. The new style spelling sheets will be given out on a Monday to be completed by the Friday. From time to time, we may ask that work from across the curriculum can be finished at home. **Please ensure that all class books (usually Numeracy and Draft books) are returned to school by your child the following day so that they may be used in lessons.** Times tables will continue to be tested every Friday.

P.E. and Games

Please ensure that your children have the necessary kit with them as we will not allow them to borrow clothes or footwear from their friends. Children with pierced ears are asked to remove and replace earrings themselves. Those whose ears have been recently pierced (within the last six weeks) should use surgical tape to protect them.

French Trip

Please check to see that you are up to date with payments and make any outstanding payments ASAP. We will also be asking for passport, medical and dietary details during March. A meeting for parents and children to answer your questions about the trip will be arranged nearer the time. We consider our trip to France to be an enormously valuable experience and it remains one of the highlights of the year for both the children and the staff.

Finally, please remember that we are always happy to discuss any concerns you might have at the end of the school day.

Class Teachers - Mrs Bennett, Mrs Rogers, Mrs Spurling.

Teaching Assistants - Mrs Barlow

PPA Teachers - Mrs Harrison, Mrs Mayland HLTA

DIARY DATES

Fri, 10th February 6pm
Friends' Cinema Night

Mon, 13th – Fri, 17th Feb
HALF TERM

Mon, 20th February
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY

Tues, 21st February
TERM 4 BEGINS

Tues, 28th February
Kent Astro Dome for Y6

Wed 5th March
BOOK FAIR (info to follow)

Tues 21st March 3.30-5.30pm
Thurs 30th March 3.30-8pm
Parents' Evening

Fri, 31st March
LAST DAY OF TERM 4

Tues, 18th April
FIRST DAY of TERM 5