



## Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

### Spring Term 2018

Dear Parents/ Carers

We would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year and hope that you have had an enjoyable Christmas. Welcome back to a new term and a New Year. This will be a busy time for Year 6 as we are close to the statutory assessments and revision is an important part of the curriculum for this term. We do want children to enjoy our new topic as there are many exciting facts to learn about.

Children must engage in positive routines regarding homework and organisation as this is crucial for a smooth transition to the next phase of their learning - secondary school.

Much of our PSHCE will centre on mental health and well-being.

Prefects have a responsibility around the school and along with the monitors provide a perfect model of how to behave for all children to follow.

We will not be arranging any visits this term as we are aware that the residential visit final payments are coming up. Just to give advance warning we will be visiting Hazard Alley next term and this will cost approximately £15.00 per child.

#### Events

February 1<sup>st</sup> – Parents evening for children with SEN

February 2<sup>nd</sup> 6C class assembly

February 6<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening 3.30-7.00pm

February 7<sup>th</sup> – Parents evening 3.30-5.30pm

February 9<sup>th</sup> break up for Half Term

February 19<sup>th</sup> Back to school

February 22<sup>nd</sup> Drop and Stop *NEW event* until 11.00am

March 9<sup>th</sup> Sponsored Sports event

March 9<sup>th</sup> 6S class assembly

March 21<sup>st</sup> Book Look 3.30-4.00pm

March 22<sup>nd</sup> Book Look 8.15-8.40am

March 29<sup>th</sup> School Finishes for Easter

April 16<sup>th</sup> Return to school

May 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATs

#### ENGLISH

For the Spring Term we have again linked our English lessons to our main topic. We will be studying the Shang Dynasty and encouraging children to ask historical questions and research key facts relating to this topic. The Shang Dynasty ruled part of China from about 1600BC to 1046BC. We will study Shang cities and how they were structured and organised, different types of Gods that they worshipped and the importance of writing for the Shang Dynasty as well as focusing on the children's own writing ability. We will also embark on a revision programme using our CGP books and other resources to ensure that the children are fully prepared for the end of year statutory tests in May. There will be an additional focus upon booster reading and comprehension. With spelling, grammar and punctuation taught weekly. Many children have earned their pen licence and we hope that all children will write in pen before half term.

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### MATHS

This term we will be focusing on revision of number particularly addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and decimals; and working at a faster pace. We will continue to learn the times tables at speed and many children are now learning the associated division facts, well done! We will also be learning new skills in geometry, algebra, fractions, ratio and proportion, statistics and measurement.

Every child will have the opportunity to use RM Maths weekly in school and can also access this, and My Maths from home.

[www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk)

[www.rmeasimaths.co.uk](http://www.rmeasimaths.co.uk)

Each child has their own personal login for My Maths and RM Easi-Maths, if you have lost yours please ask for a replacement.

We will also be working on revision for SATs in all aspects of maths.

**Homework** – is set on a Thursday each week and returned on a Monday.

**Reading** – this should be recorded daily, activities carried out and reading diaries handed in weekly on a Monday.

**Spellings** – words will be given out and need to be learned to use in spelling work each week on a Monday.

**Maths** – Relevant to weekly learning.

**English / Topic** – a task will be set to reinforce current learning.

**SATs Revision** – homework will also be set for this.

**Y6 Homework Club** – runs every Friday lunch time to offer a quiet place to work, receive assistance and / or use of a computer.

Please remember PE kits for Friday – indoors and Thursday – outside. Please ensure all school uniform and PE / Games kit and equipment are labelled with your child's name.

If anyone is able to offer time to hear readers we would love to hear from you. The time you give makes a real difference.

Please ensure your child wears the correct uniform to school.

The correct uniform consists of:

Black school shoes, not black trainers

White or black socks

Grey school trousers/ grey, knee-length skirt or pinafore dress;

White shirt / blouse and Carrington school tie

Royal blue school sweatshirt/school cardigan; plain grey - Carrington polar fleece (optional).

No jewellery is allowed.