



# YEAR 6 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

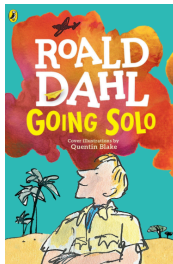
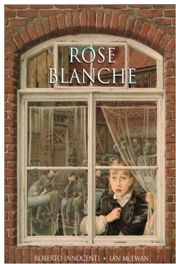
## SPRING TERM 2020

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*Hope you all had the most amazing Christmas and New Year! The children progressed massively last term, but it's this term that the hard work truly begins! Last term, we visited Bourne End Academy to witness their amazing production of 'Fame' – truly inspiring. Our prefects had the honour of opening the new Aldi store in Wycombe and many of our children got the opportunity to meet GB Olympian, Sally Walton, whilst having their photo appear in the Bucks Free Press! Both class assemblies drew many a plaudit too... Onwards and upwards.*

## ENGLISH

During this term, your child will be reading several more stories, enabling them enjoy a range of genres. Children will continue to learn to mimic a variety of writing styles – they had great success with this last term. Below are some of the titles we will be enjoying:



- Rose Blanche (Roberto Innocenti)
- Going Solo (Roald Dahl)
- Friend or Foe (Michael Morpurgo)

Reading to a family member is vital for your child's on-going development. Not enough of our children are being given this opportunity. Our main target for the children is to be able to justify their opinion by referring to the text. Please record your child's reading within their Reading Record as this is checked periodically.

## MATHS

We enjoyed wonderful success last term in maths – the children are benefitting greatly from the new Power Maths scheme. Many of the children have learnt their times tables, which has now meant they have been allowed to make excellent progress in a number of areas. Remember, the government expectation is for children to know ALL their times tables by the end of YEAR FOUR!

For those that still require additional support with their times tables, we shall be continuing our times tables grids against the clock. Please continue to practise these at home.

This term we will be looking to perfect exam technique. Generally, in a test situation, children still need to improve their time management and have the understanding of what the question is actually asking – we will continue to work on this.

Please remember, in addition to any maths homework given out, that Mathletics remains a useful tool to consolidate your child's learning.

# SCIENCE & TOPIC

The children learnt so much about the heart and other organs during the autumn term. This term, we will be exploring the themes of light and electricity. Keep tabs on Seesaw to be kept abreast of the children's latest scientific learning. For topic, we shall be delving into both the history of the local area and World War 2. Many children have showed a passion for WW2 as part of their homework grid, producing some sublime pieces.

# HOMework

**Reading** – this should be recorded daily.

**Spellings** – words will be given out and need to be learned in preparation for a weekly spelling test.

**Maths** - Relevant to weekly learning.

**English/ Topic/ Other** – To build independence and time-management skills, with half an eye on secondary school, we have decided to continue using the cross-curricular homework grid.

**SATs revision** – Periodically, homework will be set from CGP books, for maths, comprehension and grammar.

# DATES

6C's class assembly	24/01/20
Assessment Week	w/c: 03/02/20
Parents Evening	11/02/20 & 12/02/20
Secondary School Offer	02/03/20
World Book Day	05/03/20
6S's class assembly	06/03/20

# STATIONERY

As previously mentioned, there is an expectation for the children to bring in their own stationery. Valuable learning time has been wasted because children have not had the appropriate equipment.

Children should be equipped with the following: pencil(s), handwriting pen(s) (we provide the first when pen license is awarded), ruler, sharpener, eraser, whiteboard pen and a glue stick. Please label your child's belongings clearly.



# LOST PROPERTY

PE kits and school uniform must be labelled with your child's name. A growing number of items are finding their way to the lost property box. Also label all equipment in your child's pencil case. This should also be the case for his/her coat, bag and lunchbox too.

*This term will need plenty of hard endeavour, lots of patience, a sprinkling of self-motivation and much perseverance. The spring term will aim to get the children well-prepared for the SATs and beyond.*

*We will look to continue to use the Seesaw app to keep you updated with regards to your child's progress. Thank you for your on-going support.*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Mr Nathan and Mr Shand*

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