

# Year 6 Newsletter Summer Term 1

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter. The children have all returned ready to work hard – the term ahead proves to be a very busy one! Here is our newsletter with everything you need to know for this term.



# Topic

This term, we have a new lead project called 'Frozen Kingdoms' this project teaches children about the characteristics and features of polar regions, including the North and South Poles, and includes a detailed exploration of the environmental factors that shape and influence them. In art, Year 6 will learn about the Inuit way of life, including some of their cultural and artistic traditions.

#### P.E.

Our P.E. days are Tuesday (Mrs Fisher) and Thursday (Mr. McCance). We will be outside as much as possible, but please make sure your child has suitable clothing for all weather types! In P.E. Year 6 will be developing their golfing skills and focusing on athletics.

### **Reading Books**

A reminder that children are allowed to bring home a book of their choice from our shelves, including our non-fiction library, or can choose to read a book from home.

# **Home Learning**

For this half term, homework tasks will be set to help support key skills that we are focusing on in preparation for SATs. Children will bring home workbooks that should be returned **every Wednesday**, thank you.

#### Diary Dates:

5<sup>th</sup> May – May Day Bank holiday

12th - 15th May - SATs week

16th May - High Lea Park for the morning

21st May - PCSO to see Y6 - Good Choice Bad Choice talk

1st July – Chapel High School Transition Day

1st July - Y5 and Y6 to High School to watch Wizard of Oz

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th July – NMS transition days

14th July – Y5/6 Performance Afternoon 2pm

16th July - Y5/6 Performance Afternoon 5pm

22nd July - Leaver's Assembly, 9:15am

# SATs Week - Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May

During SATs week, the children will be invited to join us at school at **8:20am**. We will then have breakfast together (we will provide a selection of toast, croissants, pain au chocolat and fruit). Daily Mile will take place every day to wake our brains and bodies up. All tests will be completed in the morning in two separate groups to enable enough support to be available to every child. The testing schedule is as follows:

- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May Grammar Paper and Spelling Test
- Tuesday 13th May Reading Paper
- Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May Maths Arithmetic Paper and First Reasoning Paper
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May Second Reasoning Paper.

We have been working with the children to make sure they feel prepared for the tests without feeling too much pressure – I know they will all do their very best and we have lots of members of staff available on the day to support them. At home, plenty of rest – early nights without screentime (!) and opportunities to relax will be a real help (there will of course be no homework set for the week).

Hopefully this newsletter will answer many of the questions you may have about this term, but if you have any other queries please do not hesitate to call in and see me.

Thank you, Kirsty Arnfield