

Friday, 12 January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 6 Spring Term Newsletter

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a fantastic Christmas and found some time to relax during the festivities.

Please remember that, if you would like your child to come to the New Wolsey Theatre in Ipswich to see **Mark Thompson's Spectacular Science Show** on Saturday, 17th February, 2017 at 6:00pm, the permission slip and £5.00 payment must be in school by Monday, 15th January, 2018 (letter still available on school website).

Attached, you will find a **Curriculum Map** with a brief outline of the work we will be covering this term. I hope you find this useful as you discuss school life with your child.

Please be advised of the following points:-

- **Spellings** will be set on Mondays or Tuesdays (depending upon your child's group) and will be recorded in **Reading Records**. All groups will be tested on the previous week's spellings on Monday afternoons. Please continue to support your child to learn spellings, referring to the letter sent out at start of Autumn Term (see school website) for strategies if necessary.
- **Miss Grix** will continue to support us this term, moving from Wednesdays to Mondays in order to provide the best possible learning opportunities for the children.
- **P.E. lessons** will take place on **Thursdays**. Children should have both indoor and outdoor kits in school and will be expected to fully participate unless they have a note to excuse them. Ideally, PE kits should remain in school all week in the event that we have an extra session. Children wearing earrings must be able to remove them by themselves, or supply earring tape from home; long hair must be tied back and a change of socks for outdoor P.E. lessons is also very important.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Indoor kit: white school T-shirt, red shorts and plimsolls.○ Outdoor kit: tracksuit or similar and trainers. |
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- *Please, please, please* ensure that all items of clothing are **named**, since "without a name, they're all the same!"

- The school has recently funded a wide selection of new books from which we have established a Year 6 library. It is **hugely beneficial** to your child if you are able to hear them **read regularly** at home. Please record, as appropriate, in their reading record.
- Children will continue to receive **Maths and English homework** every Friday – to be returned the following Friday. The amount of homework will increase as we help to prepare the children for their SATs tests (w/c: Monday, 14th May) and, ultimately, their transition to High School.

I will be holding an **information evening regarding the SATs tests** on Tuesday, 23rd January, 2018 at 3:45pm in the classroom. This is for parents only (the computer room will be open for children during this time if you cannot make alternative provision). I will explain the new assessment arrangements and offer suggestions about how we can best work together to support your child to ‘be the best they can be’. In addition to the extensive revision packages purchased by the school to help your child prepare for these tests, **revision guides and question books**, designed for home-learning, have also been ordered and will be available for you to purchase at the meeting, should you wish to do so.

Thank you so much for your continued support. It is really appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Clare Varden (Miss)
Year 6 Class teacher

Below is a list of books available to purchase from the school on Tuesday 23rd January.

Title	Cost
English Study book	£2.25
English question book	£3.50
Maths Study Book	£2,50
Maths question book	£2.50
Full set	£10.75



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