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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you that you all had a lovely Christmas and a good start to the New Year. The children have now settled back into the routines of school and are continuing to work hard.

Please find attached a copy of the weekly timetable and an overview of the curriculum that we will be studying this term. It also includes some ideas about how you can support your child's learning at home.

### Staffing

Mrs Wright and Mrs Pethick will continue to cover my non-contact time during a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.

### PE

As you can see from the timetable, P.E is on Tuesdays and Fridays, so the children need to have their P.E kit in school on these days (although we do advise that they bring them in on Mondays and then leave them in school until Friday when they should be taken home to be washed). A reminder that your child needs black shorts, red polo-shirt and daps. When the weather is colder they may need black tracksuit bottoms. For health and safety reasons, jewellery must be removed for P.E; this includes ear-rings.

### Water bottles and snack reminders

Please can you send a water bottle into school every day for your child. It is really important that they have access to water throughout the day and a bottle in the classroom ensures that water is readily available. They are not able to leave the classroom during lessons to go and get a drink from the water fountain. Children are also encouraged to have a healthy snack at playtime (**fruit or vegetables**). There is also opportunity to purchase a healthy snack from the tuck shop at a cost of 50p.

### Homework

Homework is an integral part of your child's learning. The homework set allows your child to consolidate what has been learnt in school and extend their learning further. Any support you can give them is valuable.

Your child has a reading book. They will have to complete a quiz in school based on the book before they are able to change it. (They need to achieve 80% or above) It would be of benefit to your child if you could spend some time each evening supporting them with their reading. Please sign your child's reading record to show that they have completed their reading homework.

Homework will be **given out on Thursday** and **collected in on Tuesdays**.

On a weekly basis your child will also be expected to complete:

- 30 minutes on Spellodrome playing the games and learning the spellings.
- A Mymaths activity. Ideally your child needs to achieve a green at the end of the activity. If they don't they will need to try the activity again, after completing the related lesson.
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If your child has not completed their reading, spelling or Mymaths homework, they will be asked to miss some of their lunchtimes to complete it. Homework Club continues to take place to enable children who do not have internet access at home to do homework during assembly times.

### SATS

As you are aware, Year 6 children will be sitting the end of Key Stage 2 SATS paper during the week beginning May 14<sup>th</sup>. We will continue to practise previous SATs papers and complete a mock SATs week in March to enable children to experience what the week will be like. We will also be holding sessions for parents to come into school and sit a maths and grammar paper with your child. More details will follow in a separate letter in the next couple of weeks.

If you have any questions or concerns about any aspect of Year 6, please come and see me after school. I am usually available any day, apart from Wednesday.

Yours sincerely



Claire Hayman  
Year 6 Teacher

### Year 6 Spring Overview

Subject	Topic	How to support learning at home
English	Discussion texts, narrative writing and non-chronological reports Spelling patterns and rules Grammar terminology and correct use of grammar	Ensure that your child reads at least 3 times a week for at least 30 minutes. Sign your child's reading record to confirm that they have read. Talk about the books that your child enjoys reading. Discuss the characters, plot and settings. Ensure your child completes their spelling homework on Spellodrome. (30 minutes a week) Ensure that the children have their reading book and record in school every day.
Maths	Mental calculation strategies, + and -, reasoning/generalisations about numbers and shapes, handling data, measures and fractions.	Help your child to know their number facts, based on all four operations, particularly the times tables. Relate maths to real life situations (cooking, shopping, problem solving). Complete MyMaths homework.
Science	Inheritance and adaptation	Encourage your child to use scientific vocabulary. Research topics using the internet or the library.
Geography/History	China- Geography China – Shang Dynasty - History	Research topics using the internet or the library.
Computing	Games Design	Speak to your child about how to stay safe on the internet.
Art / DT	Felt pictures Technical Drawing	Practise drawing techniques.
RE	Beliefs in Action	Watch news programmes like Newsround.
PE	Gym/Dance and Net/Wall	Encourage your child to participate in regular physical activity. Talk about why it is important to exercise regularly and eat a healthy diet. Ensure children have their PE kit in school on a Tuesday and Friday.

## Year 6 Spring Timetable

<b>2017/2018</b>												
	8:50	9:00	9:05	9:50	10:15	10:45	11:00	12:00	1:00	2:00	2:30	3:00
<b>MON</b>	<b>Children arriving in school</b>		<b>Registration/Morning work</b>	English	Guided Reading	<b>Morning Break: 10.45 – 11:00 a.m.</b>	Maths	<b>Lunch Break: 12.00 – 1.00 p.m.</b>	Science	Whole School PSHE Assembly	Science	
<b>TUE</b>				English	Guided Reading		Maths		PE (AC)	Whole school Music Assembly	Music (Mrs Pethick)	
<b>WED</b>				English	Guided Reading		Maths		ICT (RW)	KS1 Assembly	Art (RW)	
<b>THU</b>				English	Guided Reading		Maths		RE (PPA- RW)	KS2 Assembly	French (PPA- RW)	
<b>FRI</b>				English	Guided Reading		Maths		Topic	Whole School Celebration Assembly	PE (AC)	