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Tuesday 7th January 2020

Year 6 Spring 1 2020 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Year Six and Happy 2020!

During both spring terms, we will be discussing the question: *'How did Stoke Help to Win the War?' The topic will use History as a base: it will include weekly questions, which we will answer with the week's learning. An overview of our questions, along with our English and Maths coverage has been provided to let you know what we will be discussing.*

Area of learning	Week 1- 4days	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
Challenge Curriculum	What Sparked the War?	How Did Hitler Persuade a Nation?	How did the European map change during WW2?	What was the Blitz?	The bombing of Britain: how did they choose?	Evacuation: was it necessary?
English	Topic related English	Non chronological report	Explanation	Explanation	1 st person recount	1 st person recount
Maths	Place value application	Multiplication and division	Geometry	Shape	Fractions FDP	Ratio
PSHCE Jigsaw Dreams and Goals	Personal Learning Goals	Steps to Success	My Dreams for the World	Helping to Make a Difference	Recognising our Achievements	
Additional equipment/events PE Monday and Wednesday (cricket) RE - Judaism		Parents SATS meeting 6pm, 15.01.20 Synagogue visits 15 th Paddington 16 th Piccadilly		Maths Fest 28.01.19		Parents' Evening 11/12 Safe and sound - Longton fire station 13.02 Cosford RAF Museum 14.02

Children will be expected to: read regularly and have their diaries signed; complete their weekly times tables practice (TT Rockstars) complete their weekly spellings and SpellingShed/Mathsframe online learning games. Further focused work may be provided if necessary and extra work will always be available if the children, or yourselves request it. Spellings will be given out on a Monday morning and will need to be returned on a Friday. Times-tables books and Reading diaries also need to be returned on a Friday, and will be given back out at the end of Friday.



As mentioned above, we expect that pupils will continue to read regularly at home and keep a record in their home/school diary. We would be grateful if you could support your child by listening to them read, discussing the book and recording your comments about their reading in their diary. We ask pupils to read at home a minimum of three times per week - the children are expected to read 15 books each half term (larger books will count as 2+ dependent on size).

Pupils will need both an indoor and outdoor kit available in school for PE, due to the changeable nature of the weather. Our PE days are **Monday and Wednesday (cricket outdoors)**. An indoor kit consists of an appropriately coloured team t-shirt and navy or black short and pumps and an outdoor kit includes trainers, dark coloured tracksuit bottoms and a sweater. It is important that all children have the correct kit in school and that it is labelled with their name. Everyone is expected to take part and a note from a parent is required from anyone unable to take part in PE sessions, due to medical grounds. A water bottle is helpful for the children to hydrate.

Please note the following dates for spring 1 to enhance our topic learning (separate letters to follow)

- SATs evening Wednesday 15th January.
 - Synagogue trip Wed 15th and Thurs.16th January.
 - Safe and Sound, Thursday 13th February.
 - RAF Cosford Friday 14th Feb.
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- SATs W/C May 11th,
 - Alton Towers Friday 15th May.
 - Dress rehearsal Monday 6th July.
 - Afternoon performance Tuesday 7th July.
 - Evening performance Wednesday 8th July.
 - Year 6 Prom Friday 10th July.
 - Y6 leavers' concert Wednesday 15th. (More dates will follow as we know them.)

Thank you for your support, feedback and help. If there is anything at all that you wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact us: via Dojo; in person before or after school; by telephone.

Kind regards,

Mr Bradshaw, Mrs Clarke, Mrs Snape, Mrs Ramsden and Mrs Davies.

