

Year 6 Letter

Dear parents/carers,

It has been lovely getting to know the year 6s this week. They have come back from a very long break from school with an excellent attitude to learning and if things continue the way they are, we are going to have a fantastic year. As well as myself (Mr McKeon/Mr Mac), we also have Mrs Sampson, Mrs Holtom and Mr Hodgson in class supporting learning on a daily basis. What follows is a few pieces of key information that will help you to support your child from home.

Weekly Routine

- PE will take place on a Friday; PE kit needs to be sent in and taken back the same day.
- Spellings and times tables will be set on a Friday and tested the following Friday.
- Homework will be set on a Friday and must be returned by the following Thursday.
- At the moment, pupils should not bring a bag to school. They need to come in with their water bottle, reading record and packed lunch (if needed) and that is it – except on a Friday of course!
- We are not sending reading books home but your child does still need to be reading at home. Please ensure your child is keeping a record of what they read at home in their reading diary (their own books, e-books, magazines, news articles etc.). They should aim for twenty minutes or twenty pages at least each day.

Online Reading Resources

As a school, we have subscribed to a series of online reading resources that you can access from home. As these accounts go live, you will find them in your child's reading record.

Topics

This half term, all of our foundation subjects are going to be inspired by Ludlow and the architecture in it. To support your child with this, you could: take them on a walk around the town centre and appreciate the timber framed buildings around town; search for St Thomas' Chapel, which apart from the castle is the oldest standing building in Ludlow; take a stroll along the bread walk and observe the flora and fauna that is abundant along the Teme or visit the library and see what information you can research using their excellent resources.

Maths

This half term, we will be focussing on number and place value (numbers up to ten million) and revisiting formal and informal methods for addition, subtraction multiplication and division. To support your child at home, it is a good idea to have an on-going dialogue between you and your child about what methods they have been shown in school and see if they can teach you what they have learned. Some methods will be familiar to you whilst others less so – it's never too late to learn something new!

English

Our English this term will be based upon a book called "Star of Fear, Star of Hope". It is set in Germany just before WW2 and will provide pupils with a great opportunity to discuss morality as well as inspire their writing. At this stage in the year, ensuring your child is in good reading habits is the best way that you can support them in English – twenty minutes or twenty pages is what your child should be doing as often as possible (ideally daily).