Year 6 Newsletter

As a part of our study of British Values we are having particular focus on the role of democracy in our society. Class elections have been held and we now have two School Council class representatives. Two further children have been elected to represent the younger children. We are also looking forward to our visit to the Houses of Parliament as a part of this learning. This is a very special opportunity which, with such high demand from schools wanting to visit Westminster, is one that we have been lucky to book. A big thank you to the school office who manned the phone very early on booking day to ensure that we got a place.

In the New Year, we will also have a Magistrates' visit to the school, where the children will learn how the laws made in Parliament are enforced locally.

We are continuing our topic this term on Ancient Egypt. The children are in the process of re-creating the Valley of the Golden Mummies which they are looking forward to sharing in the class assembly. They have also researched facts about micro-organisms and have made a quiz to test your knowledge. If you are able to join us on 9th November, you might want to do a bit of research first! As the oldest children in the school, Year 6 mark Remembrance Day at All Saints' Church in a special service. They will lay a wreath and read out the names of those who lost their lives in wars. The children will also read a small selection of war poetry that they have written to mark this event.

Homework will be set on a Thursday and needs to be handed in on a Tuesday. Spelling tests will take place on a Thursday.

Completion of homework is essential for year 6. The homework that we set is designed to secure their understanding of the topics covered in lessons. We will continue with a focus on reading comprehension, punctuation and grammar, and maths. We always check that children have completed homework. If a number of children have found the homework challenging, we revisit the topic again in class.

You will have received an updated statistical analysis of your child's (practise) test results to date. As SATs remain very challenging for all children, your support at home to meet the challenge is both necessary and appreciated. Please feel free to come and talk about these results if you have any questions. Year 6 P.E. days continue to be on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Please ensure that PE kits are in school at all times. There is enough room in the cloakroom for P.E. kits to stay in school.

We will hold a SATs information evening in the near future. This will be an opportunity to look through the types of test papers that the children will sit in May and find out how children are graded.

Year 6 are starting to prepare their Class Assembly. They are looking forward to sharing their learning over the past 8 weeks with parents, loved ones and the rest of the school.

We hope that you can make this and hear some of the engaging writing that the children have been producing recently. You will also have the opportunity to hear them sing a popular song from the 1980s, as well as hear them sing a song in French. The children are looking forward to sharing with you some of the fantastic artwork that they have produced.

Kind regards,