

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had an enjoyable Christmas holiday. This term we are focusing on 'A Night to Remember'. Please look at our topic web that explains our outcomes in more detail. This is going to be a challenging term for year 6 but we know the children are prepared to work really hard and reach the expected levels for year 6.

Following on from last term, spellings will be given out and tested on a Friday. Please can you support your child to learn their spellings as this is so important and will help them with their writing as well as their grammar. The children also have a list of words to learn for the termly spelling bee - please encourage them to learn them as we would really like to win the prize for the best spellers in the School.

Reading is a real focus in our class so please can you continue to listen to your child read as often as possible. Please ask them questions to support their understanding of the text. We have worked hard at referencing the text to support our answers (Point Evidence Explain Link). The children need to write a comment in their book briefly recalling what they have read; this will be checked daily. Each week the children will also be asked to complete a SAT paper which will be rotated between reading, maths and grammar. This will be given out on a Monday and must be back the following Monday as we will go through the answers as a whole class on this day. It is really important that you go through the paper with your child and check how they have got on. This will really help them to progress and identify areas that they may need more support with.

We've noticed a real improvement in the children's times tables since they started using TT Rockstars. If they can do a little bit of practice every day then this will really build the fluency needed for all areas of maths.

Things to remember every day:

Please can we offer a reminder of the schedule in Year 6 and the things the children need to have in school. Firstly, reading records should come in every day, and will be checked on a Monday. In Secondary School, children will have to have their planners in every day, every lesson. So to get them secondary ready, we are going to start monitoring this more closely.

Monday - Homework is due in and set. Reading records need to be in. PE kits need to be in.

Thursday - PE - kits need to be in school

Friday - Spellings are tested and set - spelling folders need to be in school.

Diary dates will be on the school newsletter and posted on the website.

Regards

Mrs Green and Mrs Richards