

# Year 6

# Newsletter



## Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely holiday. Last half term was jam-packed with activities and we had a fantastic end to the term with our VE day celebration and Christmas performances. Thank you for coming along and supporting us with these. This half term promises to be even more lively - we hope our new topic will be just as inspiring as the last one! As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to make an appointment or catch us after school.

Miss Boyle, Miss Gladman, Mrs Butler and Miss Kapoor.

## Topic Focus: Crime and Punishment

This half term our topic is 'Crime and Punishment' where we will learn about how the types of crime committed and the punishment received have changed throughout the ages by looking at famous events and people in history. We start in Roman times and move on to look at the Vikings, the Middle Ages, the Victorian era and finish in the modern day where we will learn about forensic techniques and their role in making it easier to catch criminals. In Science, we will learn about light, including how we see and how light is reflected and refracted.

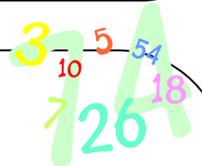
## English (incl Reading)



In English, we will be reading 'Holes' by Louis Sachar. The story is about a boy who is punished for a crime he did not commit, and is sent to a juvenile prison camp called 'Camp Green Lake' - this turns out not to be as pleasant as it sounds! We will be writing police reports, fact files and also speaking in role as the main character when he calls home to his parents.

Later in the topic, we will be planning and writing our own stories using our knowledge of the main character and his family to create a new section for the book.

## Maths



In our Maths lessons, we will continue to build on our arithmetic skills, ensuring that children can choose the appropriate method for the numbers involved in the calculation. We will learn to collect data and present it to others, using a range of charts and graphs. We will revise our knowledge of area and perimeter, measure in a variety of contexts and solve measurement problems.

# Reminders

## Important dates

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January:** School and Home Journey for Class 22 and 6RA.

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January:** School and Home Journey for Class 21 and Class 23.

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January:** Woolwich Poly maths workshop.

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February:** Young Voices Concert at the O2.

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February:** SNAP Theatre workshop.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February (after half term):** Class 23 assembly.

## Reminders

This term we start a revision timetable for the upcoming SATs assessments in May. This may mean that PE days are changed at short notice. Therefore, please ensure that children bring in their PE kit on a Monday morning and take them home on Friday afternoon.

Children are permitted to bring in 60p for Healthy Snack Shop, which runs on Tuesday to Friday each week. They may buy a piece of fruit and/or a drink. Please do not allow your child to bring in any other money to school with them.

## Home Learning

Spellings continue to be given out weekly on Mondays; children will be tested on these the following Monday.

For maths, pupils will be set specific Mathematics tasks to complete online over the weekend. These will be assessed and discussed during their Monday morning maths lesson.

Please find the schedule for our creative curriculum homework attached. Homework is due to be handed in every Wednesday.

## E-Safety Other H&S British Values etc.

Our Values this half term are Humility and Love.

E-Safety reminder: We continue to educate the children about how to use social media and stay safe on the internet. We would be grateful if you would support us in this by monitoring their usage at home and stressing the importance of speaking to a trusted adult if anything upsetting happens to them online. If you would like any advice on this, please speak to us.