

YEAR 6 Spring NEWSLETTER 2020

Welcome back to the spring term and Happy New Year! I hope that everybody had a special and relaxing Christmas and New Year. This term will bring two new exciting Topics. The first will be 'Ancient China' and the second will be 'Raging Rivers'.

In our 'Ancient China' topic, the children will explore

- Ancient Chinese Gods and Kings.
- Ancient Chinese artefacts.
- Living in the Shang Dynasty.
- The legacy of the Shang Dynasty.

In our 'Raging Rivers' topic, children will consider...

- Why are towns built near rivers?
- Where does water come from?
- How do rivers form?
- Famous rivers of world.

One of our class texts this term will be the 'World's Worst Teachers' by David Walliams.

This is an extremely entertaining anthology of different stories relating to some shocking teachers! The book is very humorous and I hope the children don't recognise any of the teachers! The children will be writing their own short story based on a terrible teacher!

After half term we will be reading 'The Silver Sword' by Ian Serraillier. A story that follows three children in World War 2, who are helped to escape Warsaw by an orphan called Jan.

Other goings on in Year 6:

- Daily Rockstar maths timestables
- Commando Joes and NUF sessions
- Daily SPaG sessions
- Daily Shared Reading sessions with a challenging and engaging text.

This half term we will continue with our 'Animals including Humans' topic and then move on to 'Living Things and their Habitats'. After this we will move onto 'Light'.

We are fast approaching the KS2 SATs in May. Please ensure your child is accessing Reading Plus and Mathletics at home. A letter outlining an after school SATs club will be going home soon. Also a letter will be going home explaining the SATs Parents' Meetings in January.

Year 6 is all about making sure that the children are prepared for secondary school. Children need to make sure their planner is in every day and it is signed once a week. All reading should be recorded in the planner too.

PE will be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Spellings will be handed out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday (there will be 16 words)

Homework will be handed out on a Friday and expected in on a Wednesday. The consequence of not handing in is Homework Club.