

Welcome back! Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful break over the holidays. The Spring term in Year 6 is always a busy one as we begin our preparation for the SATs tests in May. We aim for the children to be comfortable and confident in their abilities throughout this time and so will be familiarising them with the style of questions that they will be exposed to during these tests as we progress through the term

In **English** and **Maths** this term, we will building on the knowledge we have been learning during the Autumn term. In English, we will focus on developing our understanding of punctuation, vocabulary and sentence structure by writing in a range of genres. We are looking forward to using some great texts, including *The Last Bear* and *Suffragette: The Battle for Equality*. In Maths, fractions, decimals and percentages are a large part of our curriculum. We will be using our knowledge from the Autumn term to refine our arithmetic skills and develop our understanding of reasoning.

Reading continues to be a key focus in Year 6. Please encourage your child to read frequently at home and quiz on their books on Scholastic Reading Pro (links are available on the academy website). Dojos are given for reading at home and books signed by adults.



Our routines!

PE

Wednesday and Friday

All Year 6 children will have PE on **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Please ensure earrings are covered up or not worn on these days.

Friday will be outdoor PE so please wear appropriate clothing.

If you would like a more in-depth overview of what we will be learning this term, it can be found on the Academy website under curriculum.

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Wider curriculum

History - During Spring term 2, we will be learning about World War 2 and the impact this had on the world. We will be covering some sensitive subjects, such as the Holocaust, during our learning.

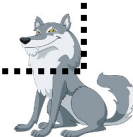
Geography - This term, we will build on our knowledge from Year 5 and find out more about biomes. Our main focus will be on marine biomes and look at how pollution/ climate change has affected areas such as the Coral Reef.

Science - Our first topic is about the circulatory system and why exercise is good for the heart. After this, we will be learning all about classifications.

Art - We will be learning about Surrealism with a focus on sculpture.

DT - We will be learning making frame structures and investigating how to make structures secure.

RE - This term, we will focus on Christianity and learn all about the rites of passage for Christians.



Mobile phones - If your child walks to and from school without an adult, we permit them to bring a mobile phone. They will be expected to keep it in their class teacher's desk during the day. It is expected that mobile phones are switched off as soon as your child enters the school grounds and not switched on until they have left the premises at the end of the day.

Please keep checking Class Dojo for updates on your child's learning and any key messages for the class. You can contact your child's class teacher through here too.