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6TS SPRING NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year, I hope you and your child/children have enjoyed the Christmas holiday and are ready for a busy term leading up to Easter. Over this half term we will continue to work on the core subject as well as taking the opportunity to enjoy music and cooking.

Maths

In our maths lessons we will be continuing to develop our calculation skills, arithmetic skills and our fraction knowledge as well as working on decimals and percentages. It is important that all pupils continue to work on improving their times tables knowledge, the related division facts and the speed at which they can recall number bonds to 100. All pupils are expected to be doing 20 minutes per week on Prodigy or Timestables Rock Stars at home which will help them with their work in class.

English

Our first writing project will be inspired by the book Anthony Brown's King Kong. It will involve the skills of narrative writing including dialogue as well as persuasive writing. Our second writing project will be inspired by the play Macbeth by William Shakespeare and focus on the skills of narrative writing, writing dialogue and letter writing. We will also take the opportunity to do some drama, acting out various scenes from the play.

Topic

This term, during our history lessons, we will be learning about the Maya, an ancient Central American civilisation. We will be finding out about different aspects of life and the impressive achievements of this civilisation. We will be exploring Mayan arts during our art lessons.

PE Lessons

PE lessons will continue to be on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please make sure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on these days. As the weather gets colder, pupils are allowed to wear tracksuits rather than shorts for outdoor lessons. Activities will include cross country running, handball, basketball and Quick Sticks hockey. A spare pair of socks in school is often a good idea.

Homework

Maths and English homework will be set on a Monday and is expected to be handed in on a Friday. Pupils can also attend homework club at school on Thursdays in order to complete their work. Pupils are reminded that they should also be working on either prodigy/times tables rockstars to support their maths and spelling frame to support their spelling as part of their weekly homework.

Yours sincerely,

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