



Year 6 newsletter Autumn 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a fantastic first half term where all the children have been working extremely hard and are motivated to do their best learning. We have lots to be proud of already and our Year 6s are doing some important jobs across the school. We have Prefects, Librarians, Play Leaders and School Council members amongst us.

Our residential trip was very successful. All the children challenged themselves and we had many children facing and overcoming their fears. They all helped with doing their chores and were really supportive of each other. It was great for us to really get to know each other in a different environment.

Every child has a login to Mathletics (you can find this in your child's reading record). Doing this for just 15 minutes a day really supports the children with their maths learning so please encourage your child to log on everyday.

This half term we will be doing some practice SATs papers. We will be sending these home with the children from time to time so please look through these with your child and help them with any questions wherever possible. You are welcome to come and talk to any of the Year 6 team about any of the test results.

Gainsborough's Stars!

This term some children from year 1-6 will be celebrating being a "Gainsborough Star". To qualify to be a Gainsborough Star, children need to be in school every day and on time, complete all their homework and must not have worked their way down the Consequence chart to time out. If they meet the criteria, then they will have a special treat during their lunchtime this term. Please encourage your child to work hard at this so that they can work towards being a Gainsborough Star!

You can follow us on Twitter @Gainsborougheko where we post updates and photos.

Art and Drama

This half term, we have a specialist drama teacher working with your children. At the end of the term, there will be a performance that we will share with you. Dates will be sent out nearer the time.

Our learning

In English, we will be studying non-fiction texts and looking at the features of these. As part of our cross-curricular writing, we will write an explanation about the journey of the river. We will also be studying A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens. In maths we will be focusing on fractions, decimals and percentages as well as continuing to secure the written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also be learning about rivers and their habitats as part of our science and topic work.

Some key dates:

9th November—15th November Book Fair

9th November—Parents Evening

10th November—Visit to Deptford Creek

16th November—non- school uniform day

17th November—School closed for children—staff learning day

30th November—Visit to pantomime

1st December—A Christmas Carol production at school for children

13th December—2.20pm KS2 Christmas show and carol concert

14th December—9.15am KS2 Christmas show

15th December—Christmas dinner, Christmas jumper day

18th December—Class parties

Thank you for all your continued support.

Miss Pitts

Year 6 lead