

Dear Parents,  
Happy New Year and many thanks from all of us for our lovely Christmas cards, gifts and kind wishes.

This term our topics are 'Polar Explorers' and 'Mountains'.

Year 6 team



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### Homework

Homework for this term will be:

Monday—Maths homework set (due in on Wednesday)

Spelling homework set (due in on Thursday)

Wednesday—Writing Literacy homework set (due in on Monday)

Children must continue to practise their spellings and times-tables all week, as well as daily reading.

Homework activities may be set using Mathletics and SPAG.com websites.

### Advanced Notice for next Term.....

#### French Residential

Preparations are well underway. Children have their new penpals with our partner school in France. EHIC and medical forms will be sent home later this term. Your child will need a reasonably sized soft bag (not a suitcase!) to pack, which they can manage by themselves!



**Please remember to adhere to the payment deadlines as previously advised.**

### Kit

Please ensure your child is well prepared with named indoor and outdoor PE kit. This term they may well be very muddy: old trainers and tracksuits would be best. PE normally takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.



### Bikeability

The date now for this will be in the summer term. Your child will need a road-worthy bike and a helmet.

More details to follow.



Please do remember to update us of any changes in circumstances, many thanks.

### Equipment

Many children are not appropriately equipped for the school day. A black handwriting pen and a pencil are essential and these should be named. Children also need a glue stick. Children must have their homework diary in school every day. These are checked at the start of the week and it is essential that they have been signed by parents.

## **What are we doing this term?**

### ENGLISH

Descriptive writing using figurative language  
Explanation writing  
Recounts  
Poetry  
Explanation texts  
Non-fiction reports  
Reading and comprehension skills  
Spelling and grammar

### MATHS

Properties of numbers  
Four rules  
Mental Maths skills  
Problem solving  
Shape and space  
Data handling  
Measures  
Fractions, decimals, percentages, ratio and proportion

### SCIENCE

Animals including humans  
Living things and their habitats

### ART and DESIGN

### TECHNOLOGY

Mixed-media mountainscapes  
Wind powered buggies

## **Dates for your Diary**

INSET Day  
Friday 29th January

School Closure  
Monday 22nd February

6H Class Assembly  
Friday 15th January

6T Class Assembly  
Friday 5th February

Parents' evenings  
10th March  
12th March

Half term  
15th February

End of term  
24th March

SATS week  
Week beginning 9th May  
(All papers in one week)

# **YEAR 6**

## *Newsletter*



## **Spring 2016**