



## Half Term Curriculum Plan / Home Learning Letter

Year 6

Autumn 2nd Half Term: November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you enjoyed your half term week and are now fully refreshed and ready for the second half of the Autumn term in Y6.

The children will continue with their WW2 history topic, building on their recent experiences at Lincolnsfields.

We will be finishing off our Science topic of classification then moving on to a topic about electricity. The children will be consolidating their learning about insulators and conductors, constructing and drawing diagrams of electrical circuits using standard symbols and learning how an electrical current can only flow in a complete electrical circuit.

In English, we will be spending most of the half term working on a narrative version of William Shakespeare's **Hamlet**. The children have already enjoyed a workshop in school from the Young Shakespeare Company and will be going to the Wylyotts Theatre in Potters Bar to see a production of Macbeth on Friday 3rd November. We will, as always, continue to develop the children's writing skills, spelling, grammar and reading comprehension.

In Maths, our focus will be on mental strategies for multiplication and division, negative numbers, fractions, percentages, shape, area and perimeter and written methods for multiplication and division. In addition to this, the children will continue with regular brain training activities and weekly arithmetic sessions. A huge part of the children's maths learning relies heavily on them knowing their multiplication tables, so please support your child at home.

A gentle reminder too about RM easimaths which is an excellent online resource that supports the children's maths learning and understanding at home and at school.

The highlight of this half-term will of course be the Junior Christmas Production, **Who?** by Dave Corbett, which will be performed on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December in the school hall. Rehearsals will begin almost immediately, so please encourage your children to learn any lines they may have, to ensure that during the rehearsal sessions, we can focus on the acting and the performance.

On a practical note, it would be extremely helpful if your child always has in school, the things that he or she needs to participate fully in every lesson. This means having a handwriting pen and essential stationery (pencils, coloured pencils, felt pens etc.) for class work and full school PE kit including dark coloured jogging bottoms(all named please) and trainers for coached PE sessions. Thank you.

### Home learning for this term is as follows:

- Daily reading for around 15 - 20 minutes each day
- Tuesday: Maths (an activity/worksheet task/RM easimaths) usually completed by Thursday.
- Wednesday: English (grammar/comprehension/spelling/writing task) usually completed by Friday
- Wednesday: Spelling list for a test on the following Wednesday.
- Friday: Science task (Mrs. Beechey)

Class teacher: Mrs. S. Kelly

Date: November 2017