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Dear Parents and Carers

Autumn 2 Term 2023

What are we learning in Year 6 this half term?

Reading	This half term, we will be reading Nisha's War by Dan Smith and My World War Two Diary by Marcia Williams. Our Guided Reading lessons will focus on a range of reading skills such as inference, comparing and contrasting themes and characters, vocabulary choices and the impact on the reader and making links across the texts.
Writing	We will be using the books from Guided Reading as our stimulus for our writing this half term too. We will be writing a diary entry of an evacuee and a newspaper report about the Battle of Britain.
Maths	During Autumn 2, we will be learning how to calculate using fractions such as finding equivalents, adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators, multiplying and dividing fractions as well as finding fractions of amounts. During each unit, we will be developing fluency, recall and reasoning skills.
R.E	
Science	Our Science topic is Light. We will focus on how light allows us to see, shadows and refraction. We will continue to develop our understanding of fair testing and variables through experiments throughout this unit.
Geography / History	For History this half term our enquiry question is 'What would have been the consequence of Germany being successful in the Battle of Britain?'. This unit will focus on the events of World War 2 leading up to the Battle of Britain, the impact which World War 2 had on people's lives and reflect on our enquiry question.
PE	In our P.E. sessions with Embrace on a Wednesday, we will be playing Handball or focussing on gymnastics.
ART/DT	Our Design Technology topic this half term, we will link to our History topic, World War 2. We will be using the wartime motto 'Make do and Mend' and making a Christmas stocking out of unwanted clothing or fabric to give it a new lease of life and purpose.
Music	
Computing/Online Safety	For computing this half term, we will be
PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health, Cultural Education)	In Jigsaw, our topic this half term is Celebrating Differences, where children will explore respect for similarities and differences across races and religions, alongside celebrating our own uniqueness.

	<p>In addition to Celebrating Differences, we will be focusing on our Anti-Bullying campaign across school, fronted by our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors.</p> <p>As part of our work on learning about differences and the 9 protected characteristics, we use learning material from an educational source called 'No Outsiders, All Different and All Welcome'. We will also look at the five British Values this term, with a focus on respect.</p>				
Wellbeing	<p>As a school, we have a subscription to Calm Brain which is a video stimulus used to calm children so that they are in a better state to learn, attend and develop. It achieves this by understanding that for children to develop effectively they need to have healthy brain organisation, and their brain needs to communicate effectively to itself by working as a whole. CalmBrain is therefore a psychological intervention that addresses key neurological features.</p>				
Collective Worship	<p>Collective Worship is held daily.</p> <p>Our value for this half term is Trust.</p> <p>Our Safeguarding Crew and Anti-bullying Ambassadors will be supporting with Collective Worship and sharing ideas and ways to keep safe around school.</p> <p>We also continue to learn about equality, nine protected characteristics and the five British Values through stories in Collective Worship.</p>				
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Attendance	<p>At the beginning of each week, every class receives a weekly attendance target in Collective Worship. Attendance certificates are also awarded to those classes who reached their attendance target from the previous week. These are specific to each class.</p> <p>Ace our Attendance mascot will be visiting on Monday 4.12.23 for the week. Look out for him on the school gates each morning.</p> <p>Reminder: Gates open at 8:35am Registration and start of school day: 8:50am End of school day: 3:20pm</p>				
Homework	<p>Homework will be collected in every Wednesday and sent out again on Friday. Please see your child's homework book for more details.</p>				

