



GORILLAS

Newsletter: January 2020

Welcome back & thank you

After a fun-filled final week of the Autumn Term and a much needed end of term break, it is great to see all of the children refreshed and ready for another exciting term. I would like to thank all of you for the very kind gifts the Year 6 team received and wish you all a happy new year.

World War II

With a new term beginning it means the end of our fantastic World War II based topic. Throughout the Autumn Term all of the children in Year 6 learnt lots of interesting facts and produced some fantastic work. My personal highlight was reading and discussing our class text which was linked to our topic.





Frozen Kingdom

Take shelter from the elements or fall prey to icy winds and the deepest chill. Trek bravely and valiantly across treacherous terrain to the ends of the Earth, treading deep in snow or be pulled by a team of mighty sled dogs. Be alert, for magnificent mammals roam these lands, sometimes hungry or fresh for a fight. Perhaps a hungry polar bear or an Arctic fox is hunting rodents, as swift as the wind!

For the spring term our topic is based on the planet's coldest lands. Throughout the topic, pupils will have the opportunity to develop their knowledge of different polar regions from around the world.

P.E. kit

As previously mentioned, having the correct kit for P.E. is a small way in which pupils can take responsibility. It should be brought to school every Monday and taken home for washing each Friday.

With the colder weather, it is extremely important to have a suitable outdoor kit that includes jogging bottoms. As always a change of t-shirt and footwear is essential.

Homework

As ever, homework will be given out on a Thursday and is to be returned to school by the following Tuesday at the latest. Pupils should take responsibility for ensuring they complete as much of their homework as possible, independently and that they hand it in on time.

Furthermore, spellings will be set on a Monday ready for a spelling test the following Monday. Pupils should be learning these spellings at home in addition to the homework that has been set.

If you are in any doubt about the homework set, please speak to a member of the Year 6 team before it is due in.

How you can help your child

There are a number of things you can do to ensure your child fulfils their potential this term and throughout their school life. First of all, ensuring your child attends school every day and on time will result in them having full access to the curriculum being taught in Year 6; any time off school impacts negatively on future learning.

Furthermore, you can encourage your child to carefully complete homework as independently as possible. You can also support your child to learn his/her spellings.

Kind regards,

Mr Cunningham & the Year 6 team