GORILLAS



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Gorillas are gentle; gorillas are strong.

Welcome back

Welcome to the second half of our autumn term. It is great to see all of the children refreshed from their break, ready for another exciting halfterm in Year 6.

The Curriculum



English

In English, we have started this half term by studying Anne Frank and writing diaries. We will then continue to use World War II as a stimulus for our writing. Later this half term, we will begin reading a wonderful text by Nina Bawden called Carrie's War. This will provide the stimulus for lots of our reading and writing work during English lessons.

<u>Maths</u>

We have started this half-term by continuing with our work on fractions. We will then be moving on decimals and then measurements.



Elsewhere across the curriculum, we will be learning about 'Animals Including Humans' in Science lessons and Wearable Tech in Computing. We will, of course, be continuing our study of World War II in Topic.

Taking responsibility

There are a number of things that Year 6 pupils can do to ensure they are taking responsibility, which in turn will help prepare them better for secondary school. Firstly, ensuring that book bags come into school every day with the correct books (home school record books and spelling record books). They can also make sure that they have the correct uniform for each day, bring their water bottle and hand in their homework on time.

Homework diaries

Please ensure diaries (home school records) are signed each week, as not only is this is good preparation for secondary school, but it also allows any communication between home and school to be picked up quickly and easily. Please encourage your child to hand their homework diary to a teacher if there is a message that needs to be read urgently.

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 handing 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.

Kind regards,

Mr Cunningham & the Year 6 Team