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Welcome back Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the Spring Term. We had a great start to Year 6 last term and we are really looking forward to seeing the children continue to progress in 2024. We begin the year with our topic: 'Keep Calm and Carry On'. The children will travel back in time to understand what it would have been like to be living in Southampton during World War Two. To launch and enhance this learning, we are really looking forward to our visit next week (**Monday 8 January**) to Tudor House for a Wartime Workshop and tour of Southampton's historic old town. As a reminder, children will need to wear school uniform but please ensure that they wear comfortable, warm shoes and bring a suitable coat, as we will be outside whatever the weather. If you have any questions regarding the trip, please speak to one of us or contact the office.

In English, we will begin the half term by reading 'Our Jacko' by Michael Morpurgo. We will then read the book 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. Both are set during the Second World War. We will use these books to provide a variety of reading and writing opportunities for the children that we hope they will find really engaging. In Mathematics, we will be working hard to prepare the children for the End of Key Stage 2 Assessments. The children will develop their understanding of fractions, decimals and percentages. The children will also learn how to convert between different units of measure. They will also continue to refine their arithmetic skills.

The children have really impressed us with their hard work on the weekly homework set last half term. We will continue to set weekly homework each Wednesday and homework will be due in on the following Tuesday. Children are also expected to read daily at home as well as continue to practise their times tables. Please support your children with this at home and please remember to record your child's reading in their planners.

PE continues to be on **Tuesdays**. Please ensure that your child has both outdoor and indoor kit and that **all** jewellery is removed. **Children must have a pair of trainers for PE** that are not the shoes they wear to school. Tracksuit bottoms are a good idea for outdoor PE as the weather is increasingly cold. If children do not have PE kit in school, they cannot participate. PE kit is available to purchase from the school office.

We are really looking forward to the term ahead and know that the children will continue to amaze us with their super work. Once again, thank you for all your support and if you have any questions or concerns please write a note in your child's planner or contact the school office. We wish you all a happy and healthy New Year!

Best wishes,

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