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### Welcome back Year 6!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a good break and your children are feeling refreshed and ready for their final half term at Fairisle Junior School. We cannot believe how quickly this year has gone but be sure we are going to be going out with a bang! Our topic for this half term is 'Making Memories and Moving on...' We hope you'll agree that we have lots of exciting things to look forward to this half term and it is sure to be a half-term they will never forget!

As you know, our residential trip to Little Canada is now able to go ahead on the **week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> June** due to some easing of the restrictions. We are very excited for a fun-filled week with the children on the Isle of Wight. If you haven't yet completed the paperwork or made your final payments, please can we ask you do this as soon as possible. For those children staying at school for the week, rest assured that we also have a range of thrilling activities in store for you too! There will be more information on this to follow shortly.

As well as our Little Fairisle & Little Canada week, we are also in the process of organising an exciting final week of activities to celebrate the children's last few days at Fairisle. We are currently finalising the hoodie order and we will be distributing the children's leavers hoodies as soon as they arrive. The children will be allowed to wear them as part of their school uniform. The children will also receive 'autograph' books, enjoy their class parties and have a fun swimming session all within the same week! The costs of these end of year activities are stated in a separate letter.

In English, we will learn to write a persuasive advert about our recent trip to Paultons Park. Once we return from Little Canada, we will begin to read our novel for the half-term 'Stormbreaker' by Anthony Horowitz. Using this as a stimulus, we will learn to develop our story writing skills in preparation for the Key Stage 3 curriculum.

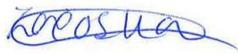
In Mathematics, we will continue to develop the children's fluency and speed in a range of areas through regular practise of the written methods for the four operations. This half term, the children will also revisit their learning of factors and multiples and calculating area. Additionally, they will be introduced to brand new mathematical concepts such as ratio and algebra and will learn how to solve problems involving these.

We will continue to set homework weekly. This will be great practice to ensure that they are prepared for the challenges of additional work set outside of the classroom when they move onto secondary school later this year. This will be set every **Friday** and is expected back into school on the following **Tuesday**. Children are also still expected to read at home daily as before, as well as continue to practise their times tables. Thank you in advance for your support with this.

PE continues to be on **Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons** this term. Please ensure your child attends school wearing their PE kit on these days, however they will need to bring their school shoes in addition to a pair of trainers suitable for PE on both of these days. They will stay in kit for the whole day so you may want to encourage your child to bring a roll on deodorant with them. All jewellery must be removed and it is also important that children with longer hair have something to tie their hair up with on these days. The children need to ensure that they have their school drinks bottle filled from home every day and this is particularly essential on PE days so the children can have a drink if they need to after exercising.

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.

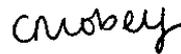
Yours sincerely,



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