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Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to another exciting half term in year 6.

This half term the children will continue to be engaged in a variety of challenging and interesting and engaging learning opportunities; it promises to be a very busy few weeks.

- Please find overleaf the overview for the autumn half term, giving you details of all the teaching and learning that will be taking place. In topic we will continue to be learning about WW2, while in Science we will be learning about electricity, making and testing circuits. We will be visiting **Skelton Grange in Hunslet, on the 30th March, setting off from school at 9:15 am and returning at 3pm where the children will be solving problems related to mathematics, while working together as a team, this will be an outside learning activity, set in a wooded environment.**
- I am also organising lots of activities for after SATs, information to be shared at a later date.



- Year 6 is also supporting Curtis T Johns, a band member of FIVE TO FIVE on BBC One's programme 'Let it shine.' As you may know Curtis visited the children last year, while they were in year 5. He is a former pupil of mine, and made a great impression, consequently the children have been very excited about following his progress within the show.
- I would also like to invite parents to a math's session on Monday morning, starting at 11am-12am on the **Monday 27th February**. The children will be involved in carousel activities, including maths of the day, Mathletics, and solving SATs math problems.
- **I also hold SATs booster sessions on a Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 8am, and could also offer another one on Tuesday, after school, if enough children attend.** All children are welcome. I believe that these booster sessions will help your children become much more ready and confident when it comes to SATs week. (A separate letter will be sent home with your child, which will tell me which session you would like your child to attend). All children are welcome.



Please remind children that shoes must be completely black and that trainers are not allowed unless they are completely black and appropriate.

Trainers, jogging bottoms, shorts and a white or yellow t shirt are required for PE. (If your child is unable to take part, a letter signed by a parent/carer is required). PE is a compulsory activity, and is a vital part of the national curriculum.

Would you also remind children that their homework is handed to them on a Friday, and that it is expected to be returned on a Wednesday. Homework consists of maths-reasoning and arithmetic, mathematics, spellings, and reading 3x weekly. I have also set tasks on a new learning programme school is now using called 'Purple Mash' These are set weekly and are to be completed by Friday. Your child will have a log in. If your child is unable to access the internet at home, internet access is available at school on Monday and Friday lunchtimes.

If you have any queries or questions about your child's learning or well being, please speak to the class teacher or for a longer appointment, please speak to the office to arrange a convenient time. We are always happy to help.

Many thanks for your continuous support.

Year 6

Mrs Michelle Weaver

Mr Tahir Rasul

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English

We will be reading ' **Carrie's War, Anne Frank's Diary and The Tunnel**. We will be writing Flashbacks, balanced arguments,persuasive arguments, biographies, diaries and journalistic writing

Other studies this half term:

World war 2 newspaper reports, War poetry and other non-fiction texts(guided reading)

Computing (computers and iPads)

- Coding on Purple Mash
- Mathletics



PSHCE :It's good to be me –

- understanding feelings,
- Self awareness – feeling good about myself,
- taking risks;
- managing my feelings
- standing up for myself and my views.

P.E



Basket ball and team games

R.E. – Islam

What do we know about Islam?

Ramadan

Life of Muhammed

What happens at a Muslim wedding

5 pillars of Islam

The importance of prayer



Science

Electricity

- * How brightness or volume is affected by the number and voltage of cells in a circuit
- * Compare variations in circuits
- * Use symbols to represent a circuit in a diagram

History

We will be learning about:

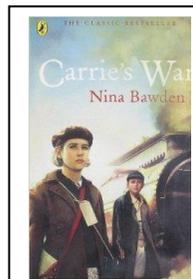
- The Second World War in context
- To explore childhood during World War 2
- The role of Women during World War 2
- To make comparisons between the wartime experiences of British and German children



Art/DT: We will be researching artists that have depicted war using differing media. Looking at propaganda materials. We will be making some replica wartime food from recipes of the day e.g. digestive biscuits and mock banana

Geography :To understand how cities and counties were affected by World War 2, how did the landscape change? To map the trade routes of some of the major staples (and raw materials such as cotton) of the 1940s. Where in the world? What impact did the war have on trade ?

Year 6 Spring Term 2



Important Information

- Skelton Grange payment .
- Maths workshop on Monday at 11 am
- SATs boosters on Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 8 am
- Children are encouraged to read at home at least 3 times a week, planners must be signed
- Reading books are changed when needed
- All homework is set on a Friday and is due back on a Wednesday. This includes maths, literacy, spellings, times tables and Mathletics.
- P.E. kit is needed on Mondays and Thursdays, all children are expected to take part.
- Last day of term is **Friday 31st March**

Maths

- Using all 4 operations to solve mathematical calculations and problems
- Fractions (decimal-percentage equivalence)
- SATs practise questions-Reasoning
- Area, perimeter and volume
- Measurement, ratio and proportion
- Geometry-Angles

Year 6 Team

Year 6 – Mrs Weaver and Mr Rasul