

Year 6 - Term I

Miss Ji and Miss Andrews

Welcome to Year 6! We hope all had a lovely summer break. It has been fantastic to see the children settle into the new year. Year 6 is a very busy year, but will be full of exciting learning opportunities and enrichment activities! Miss Ji will be teaching the class with Miss Andrews. Along with Miss Andrews, there will be other adults to support their learning throughout the week.

Friday 1st September - INSET day

Wednesday 6th September - Meet the Teacher Monday 11th September - Harvest Collection starts

Wednesday 20th & Thursday 21st September - Year 6 Mo jo Active Trip

Tuesday 3rd October - School Nurse

Thursday 4th October - NSPCC workshop for Year 5/6 Monday 16th to Friday 20th October - Diversity Week Thursday 19th October - Year 6 Class Assembly Friday 20th October - Diversity Celebration Assembly Tuesday 31st October - Secondary Application Deadline

We are Athletes on Tuesday afternoons and Friday afternoons so please remember to bring in your PE kits.

## Homework ?

Even if your child is a Free Reader, reading at home is vital for their development. Please ensure your child reads daily. All children will be awarded free books for reading at home.

Spellings are really important too! We will hold our test on a Friday. Please support your child by encouraging them to practice regularly. They can also use Spelling Shed which is an online resource. Every child has their own login.

As Mathematicians, we are going to start the year with number and place value. The class will learn to order and compare numbers, round numbers, and we will start to look at negative numbers. Later on in the term, we will move on to looking at addition, subtraction, multiplication and division with a focus on formal methods of calculation.

As Authors, we will begin the year with a whole-school writing unit based on 'The Lost Words'. The Year 6 authors will be focusing on free verse poems. We will then be writing non-chronological reports about made-up creatures; year 6 will create their own creature to write about! We will be reading a fascinating text called 'Survivors'; we will use this to write informal letters in role as one of the famous adventurers in the book.



## Linnaeus and Darwin-How are they connected?

Our Enquiry unit has a science focus this term. The Year 6 scientists, will be learning how to classify animals and plants using the Linnaeus System. They will also be exploring the concepts of evolution and adaptation; they will be researching how some animals have adapted over time in order to survive in their habitat. We will also explore how fossils are formed.

Furthermore, the Year 6 scientists will be exploring how scientists of the past recorded their findings. Using their learning, they will design an adaptation that might occur in an animal. As part of their celebra-

> tion, they will present their ideas to an audience as well as including the answer to our Enquiry question.



