



St White's Primary School
Challenge, Commit, Conquer and Celebrate



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back – We hope you all had a fabulous Easter.

Our topic this term is 'Greece Lightning' and will be focused on ancient and modern day Greece. We will be learning all about this civilisation and their lifestyles and traditions. In addition to this, between now and the end of the year, we will be looking at systems of the body and electricity in science. Of course, French, music, PSHE, P.E will continue to run alongside our topic learning and will be linked to topic as closely as we can. Year 5 will be going swimming every Tuesday while the Year 6 revise for SATs and then rehearse their end of year production after that. PE for Heron will be Thursdays and Fridays. Mondays will see Peregrine doing Forest schools as well as PE on Fridays. Please ensure PE, Forest schools and swimming kits are in each week. Woodpecker have PE on Monday and then swimming on Tuesday.

This term we have the same homework books that we had throughout the year. On Fridays, the children will have their homework diaries checked and signed by the class teacher. It is expected that the children read at least 5 times a week and that this is recorded in their diaries. Their spellings for the following week and their dictation lists will also be given out. Every child will be responsible for changing their own books during their class library slot. Heron on Thursday, Peregrine on Wednesday and Woodpecker on Tuesday.

The children will continue to have mental maths books for maths homework this term. They will be expected to complete one page per week. If the children cannot do one of the calculations then they are to circle the number and I will go through it with them in their maths homework slot in the afternoon. After they have finished their page, they should mark their own work in a different colour so that when they return it to school, we know quickly what they need help with. Each group will be supported on a different day and this will be written on the front of their books. We will be having another learn alongside your child day on **Thursday 10th May**, This will be a maths session, we look forward to you joining us for this exciting morning.

This term's topic homework will be sent home this week. Like last term, there is one POWER Project for each short term. The children can choose which parts of the project they would like to complete. They have to complete 5 points in each project and each week we would like them to make a note in their diaries to tell us how it is progressing.

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We will be celebrating all the children's hard work in topic on **Monday 9th July at 2:45pm**. It was wonderful to see the variety and effort the children have put into their POWER projects already this academic year, we had chocolate Viking boats, clay models and computer programs to name a few, all showing how creative the children are becoming with these tasks. Remember there is a KS2 homework club on a Wednesday after school if your child would like support with their homework.

Children in years 5 and 6 are also required to complete guided reading homework each week. They will be given a novel to take home with them and asked a selection of questions relating to the chapter they have been asked to read. They will then bring these answers into school with them to discuss with me in their guided reading slot.

Year 6 will have SATs week as follows:

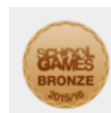
Date	Activity
Monday 14 May	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 15 May	English reading
Wednesday 16 May	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 17 May	Mathematics paper 3

A free SATs breakfast club will be available to all year 6 children from 8.00am for the Monday to Thursday this week.

There will be a year 6 Leavers trip during the last week of the term along with school play performances on the Tuesday and Wednesday of the final week culminating in the leaver's service on Friday 20th July.

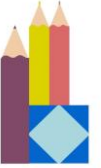
If you have any queries at all, please do not hesitate to come and speak to one of us so that any concerns can be dealt with promptly. This is going to be a very exciting term for our children.

Yours sincerely





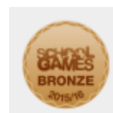
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