



Year Six Weekly Communication Flyer

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WEEK ENDING: 18th January 2019

What we have been doing:

This week in English, we finished writing an emotive recount linked to the graphic novel by Shaun Tann called – The Arrival. Now, the children have been given an opportunity to vote on an issue, which they could research about in preparation for a debate. They could choose between homework and plastics. Unsurprisingly many had strong views about homework on both sides; however, some chose to research and the pros and cons of plastic in our lives.

In maths, we revisited methods of division and children have practised solving a range of calculations and then word problems.

In our fluency sessions after break each day, we will continue to work on speed of recall when solving a range of four rules calculations and questions related to fractions and place value.

This week's homework is:

Maths: Complete Arithmetic paper. There are 18 questions. It should take the children about 15 minutes as speed is of the essence! In the actual SATs test children will be expected to complete approximately 36 questions in 30 minutes so less than a minute a question!! This is something we will regularly be doing to build up speed and reinforce methods and approaches we have covered during Maths fluency sessions.

Please help your child by testing their times table knowledge. This week the 4 x tables. This is vital if children are going to make age expected in Maths by the end of the year. Also a lot of children are not finishing all their questions because they are taking too long or still don't know ALL of their tables.

English: 10 minute comprehension challenge. This should only take the children 10 minutes to complete. If they required extra time, then change pen colour so we can see which were completed after the time.

Important Messages:

- Once again, please can we remind parents to hear their child read as often as possible. We have been reading the text aloud to model good intonation and then the pupils have 'echoed' this. It is really helping with their comprehension and understanding as well as fluency. Try to have a go - it really works!!
- We are trying to ensure that all homework is marked with the children so they can see where they went wrong and be assisted by adults in year 6. They should have a folder which they can keep it in and this can then be sent home and adults can see how your child did each week. Can we remind all parents that homework is set on a Friday and returned by Tuesday. If your child is having difficulties completing homework, then please speak to an adult in year 6.
- Can we also remind all year 6s, to walk scooters and bikes across the playground and stay away from the bike sheds at break and lunchtimes.

Topic:

This Terms topic is – 'Who Dares win'. It is linked to work around World War II

