

Dear parents/carers,

## 6MH NEWSLETTER – SUMMER 2

Welcome back and to the last (and busiest) half-term of Year 6. I can't believe it's here already and I'm sure you can't either! We have an extremely eventful seven weeks ahead of us, crammed full of trips, production, high school transitions, sports days and more.

### English

This half-term, the children will work on several different writing projects to develop both their writing style and confidence prior to their move up to high school. These projects will all be based around the incredibly moving book 'Wonder' by R J Palacio – a story that I'm sure will remain with the children long after the last page.

As ever, please continue to listen to your child read as many times a week as you can so that together we can develop their reading skills. Your time really *does* make a difference. Please also make sure that you make a note in their planners each time you do so, so that we can include them in our whole-school reading challenge.

### Maths

In Maths, our final focus will be on the application of the children's skills and knowledge through a variety of mathematical investigations, including the planning of their own lunar theme park following on from our Lightwater Valley trip! We will also be taking part in the Trust's 'Murderous Maths' event at Brigshaw High School, an annual event which sees over 200 pupils from across the Trust coming together for an exciting and challenging day of Maths puzzles and murder mystery.

### Science

Our Science focus this half-term is 'Living Things and their habitats: a fascinating topic that allows the children to discover more about animal classification, micro-organisms and the life cycles of different animals. We will continue to be focusing on the different enquiry types during our Science lessons to develop the children's skills in working scientifically.

### PE

Initially in PE we will be preparing for our Trust Sports Day (we will compete in Dodgeball, Tag Rugby and Athletics) and will then move on to preparing for our own school Sports Day. Our PE day will still be every **Thursday** and will continue to be taught by Mr Turner. As ever, the children will need their ABPS PE kit on this day: a plain white or blue polo shirt along with shorts/tracksuit of appropriate length. If children's ears have been recently pierced, then plain gold or silver studs are permitted: these will need to be covered with tape during the lesson for health and safety reasons. All other earrings and jewellery should be removed.

## Production

This half-term also sees the children preparing and performing the annual Year Six Production. Auditions will take place this week and scripts/roles given out by Friday so the children can start practicing their lines! I will let you know as soon as possible regarding any required costumes, though we have tried to select a script that doesn't really need much in the way of specialist outfits.

## General Information

As I've already mentioned, this half-term is always a particularly busy one in Year 6. More information, including exact times, will be sent out about each event shortly but initial key dates for your diary are:

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 & 6 Topic Launch Day
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Leeds Beckett University visit
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Lightwater Valley trip
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Trust Sports Day @ John Charles Sports Centre
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Virtual Middle School + Murderous Maths
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Production (timings to follow)
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year reports
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – PM
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Golden Day
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term

As always, if you have any questions, queries or concerns that you wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to come and see me – my door is always open. Alternatively, you can email to [brownr01@brigshawtrust.com](mailto:brownr01@brigshawtrust.com).

Kind regards,

Mrs Brown