

## Year 6 Summer Term 2 Newsletter

Well, what a busy start to a half term we have had already, with lots more fun activities and visits planned for the coming weeks!

#### English

We are currently working on persuasive text and will be producing a detailed persuasive texts advertising holidays to Egypt. Our focus will then move on to diary writing and using effective speech in narrative writing. Both these text types will link into our topic based on Charles Darwin and his visits to the Galapagos Islands. Finally, we will move on to the speaking and listening strand of the curriculum, with play rehearsals, script writing and preparation for our Leavers' Assembly.

#### **Maths**

Alongside our work on arithmetic and maths fluency, a focus this term will be data handling. We will also be looking at the investigative side of maths, problem solving and maths in real life settings. We continue to use TT Rockstars and Century to develop our maths skills. Please encourage your children to continue to access this at home.

#### **Topic**

Much of our work across the curriculum will be continuing our topic of Evolution and the work and travels of Charles Darwin. This will include elements of geography, history and science. We are currently working in groups to design, make and evaluate vehicles to cross the Galapagos Islands- our challenge is to power it by 'elastic band power' and also to use our ICT skills to incorporate elements such as lights, wheels, motors and sensors which can be programmed!

#### PE

We are trying to fit two PE sessions in per week. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and we will be outside as much as possible so children need a full PE kit including white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers/plimsolls. Black Tracksuit bottoms and a long sleeved top are optional, but useful to have on the odd cool day! Children may also want to have caps/sun cream with them as we're hoping for a good summer! PE will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

### Y6 Dates for your Diary

Mon 17- Tue 18h June- Y5/6 Edinburgh Residential.

Mon 8th-Wed 10<sup>th</sup> July- Y6 Transition Days at Bydales. Children attend their future secondary school for three days and return to school on the Thursday and Friday. Any children not attending Bydales will attend Errington as normal

Thursday 12th July Y6 visit to Forbidden Corner

Tue 16th/Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July Y5/6 Evening Performance 6pm- ticket details to be sorted soon. We would like all Y6 children to return to school for these performances.

Wed 17th July 1.30pm Y5/6 Afternoon Performance

Thurs 18th July (6pm) Y6 Leaver's Party and Disco. Details to follow.

Fri 19th Final Day at Errington. Y6 Leaver's Assembly 10am- Parents and carers welcome. Details to follow. T-Shirt signing

If you have any problems or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The Year 6 Team- Mrs English



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