

# Year 6 - Spring term

Welcome back! We hope that you have enjoyed a well deserved break and that the children are eager to be back at school for a busy half term. This is an extremely important term in school as we lead up to our SATS tests in May. Our work in school will be tailored to meet the needs of individuals and children will receive intensive small group teaching of maths and English skills in the morning lessons. Afternoons will range from practising test technique for maths and English tests and continuing to learn about the wider curriculum.

English will be taught in small groups led by Mrs Baron, Mrs Dunderdale and Mrs Pearson, and supported by Mrs Stowell and Mrs Duckworth.

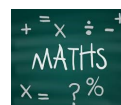


Our main aim will be to improve our comprehension skills through guided Reciprocal Reading and by practising answering written questions in response to what we have read. Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling will be taught through writing and also in discrete sessions in an afternoon. It is essential that your child continues to read at home and practise their spellings in their homework folders.

Like English, maths will be taught in small groups led by the same teachers.

We will continue to teach new concepts including algebra, statistics and circles whilst practising arithmetic skills and linking them to problem solving and reasoning.

We will be holding arithmetic drop-in / revision sessions for parents and children on Tuesdays 3.30—4.15pm. A sign up sheet will be sent home.



We will continue to nurture our brown trout and look forward to learning more about them as they grow. We will release our trout into the River Calder in March.



In science, we will learn about electricity.



## Homework

Homework will be sent when necessary for the following reasons:

- ⇒ For children to practise skills and gain confidence in the areas that we have taught.
- ⇒ To set a pattern for completing and handing in homework in preparation for high school.

PE and dance will be taught every Monday and Wednesday. Children must have a full school PE kit, trainers and a warm top / tracksuit at all times. As we will be working so hard, we may also need a PE session at other points in the week for a mental break from SATS preparation— and that's just the teachers! Please keep a kit in school at all times. 😊



As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your anticipated support,

Mrs Baron, Mrs Dunderdale and Mrs Pearson