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Year 6 Spring Term Curriculum Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 6! The following table allows you to see at a glance, our main learning foci for this term:

Topic	The Great Outdoors
Subject	Main Learning Focus
English	Explanation text/ diary/ narrative/ poetry.
Maths	Percentages, circles, area, volume, algebra and ratio– fluency, Reasoning, Problem Solving in each area of study.
Science	Working scientifically: explore ideas & raise different questions; select and plan scientific enquiries. Living Things – life cycles and classifying living things.
RE	Buddhism – The story, rituals, symbols and beliefs will be studied in detail.
Computing	Designing and making a mobile app.
PSHE	SEAL: Going for Goals and study of Learning Skills, including Growth Mindsets. PSHE: Healthy & Safer Lifestyles: 19 Safety Contexts. • Road safety• Sun safety• Cycle safety• Railway safety• Electrical safety• Health and safety rules in school• Preventing a wider range of accidents.
Art and DT	Art: Pictures in the style of Helen Cowcher. DT: Design and make puppets linked to our study of the great outdoors.
Geography	Study of Biomes with a special focus on the Polar regions: the animals, the people and the environment in which they live.
Music	Deconstructing Polar Music & composing a piece of music.
PE	Composing a dance to Vivaldi's Four Seasons. Football and orienteering and team building skills.
Modern Foreign Languages	Spanish: listen attentively to spoken language and show understanding by joining in and responding; explore the patterns and sounds of language through songs and rhymes and link the spelling, sound and meaning of words; engage in conversations; ask and answer questions; express opinions and respond to those of others.
Events	A Polar Exploration Day will be held in school on Wednesday March 15 th 2017.

Home learning:

Learning Logs:

Children will be provided with a stimulus linked to their learning on a Friday and will be expected to bring their home learning in on the second Wednesday. As the children have additional time, there is an expectation that their home learning should be creative and neatly presented.

Daily Reading:

Children should be bringing home a school book to read. We do expect the children to read at home on a daily basis for at least 20 – 30 minutes. However, this does not mean that you need to read with them, many children in Year 6 prefer to read by themselves, and you do not need to record what and how they have read. They may also read their own books, magazines or television guides!

Maths:

Each week, on a Friday, the children will be given a maths task to complete. This may be linked to our learning in class or may be practise of another skill. This task is optional, however we would recommend that the children complete it in order to support their learning. We do not need to see these tasks in school and will put the answers on Starz for the children to mark their own work. The children may choose to bring their work to school if they would like help with it or if they would like to celebrate their successes.

PE days/kits:

PE kit should be in school from Monday to Friday and should consist of:

Inside PE - a white t-shirt & dark coloured shorts.

Outside PE - trainers, a white t-shirt, dark shorts, a sweatshirt and jogging bottoms – it can get very cold outside this term please make sure they have the last 2 items in their kit bags!!

No jewellery except stud earrings and watches should be worn in school and these must be removed for all PE activities. If your child is unable to remove their own earrings, please provide tape for them to cover them up. Long hair should be tied back.

Dates for your diary:

Term dates:	January 4th to Friday 31 st March Monday
Half- term holiday	13 th February - 17 th February
Monday 20 th February	Staff Training Day (No school)
Tuesday 21 st February	Term re-starts
Friday 31 st March	Term ends
Class Assemblies:	6 Willow – Wednesday 1 st February
	6 Maple – Wednesday 29 th March
Parent Teacher meetings:	Week beginning: Monday 6th February
Polar Exploration day:	Wednesday 15th March

Contact/general reminders: To contact any of your child's teachers in the first instance, please do so via the school office either directly or via: office@brampton.cambs.sch.uk .

Parental help in school: We continue to welcome parental help in school – please see your child's class teacher if you have any time to spare and would like to get involved.

Looking forward to a successful partnership in learning!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Taylor and Mr Church