

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our Summer term and I hope you are enjoying our glorious spring.

**Y6 Literacy:** From next week, we will be continuing to write and will also cover a unit on poetry. Time is allocated to read and rehearse our long-awaited summer play too, much to the excitement of the children.

**Y6 Maths:** We will be learning long division, looking at maths problems within a wider context, and I will be continuing to support your child's ability to work within the maths curriculum.

**Secondary school transition visits**

For the Year 6s, we will begin to host a series of meetings with secondary school staff to discuss your child's abilities and any needs they have in their learning.

**Year 5s**

Please book Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm into your diaries when we talk through all that's involved with the Year 6 year. Next week will see the start of their transition process back to their other peers in Year 5 in Literacy and Maths. Mrs Payne and Mrs Hale will ensure that they continue to be challenged!

**Homework Timetable and Weekly Tests:**

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| Monday    | Spellings                        | Test the following Monday. Please ensure your child practises these on 3 separate occasion to maximise scope to embed into memory  |
| Monday    | Science                          | Every other week   |
| Wednesday | Maths, Literacy                  | Completed work returned the following Monday (NB. Please encourage your child to check their understanding of the task on Wednesday night, so that I can address any queries or concerns on the Thursday)  |
| Friday    | Mental Maths Test<br><br>Reading | Please ensure that times tables up to 12 x 12 are rehearsed regularly and mental and/or pen and paper calculations are practised All times tables must be known, calculated <i>at speed</i> , and need to include multiples, factors and the inverse (division facts). These are crucial to development in maths generally.<br>Children should be reading alone (and occasionally to an adult) preferably <i>daily</i> , but with a minimum of 3 times a week. |

**Achievements:** Please continue to record extra-curricular achievements outside the classroom in the children's homework book.

**Afternoon topics:**

|                          | <b>Year 6</b>                                   | <b>Year 5</b>                                   |
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| <b>Science</b>           | Electricity                                     | Forces and magnets                              |
| <b>I.C.T</b>             | Excel   | Excel   |
| <b>History/Geography</b> | Local Study                                     | Local study                                     |
| <b>P.E</b>               | Cricket, Rounders<br>After half term: Athletics | Cricket, Rounders<br>After half term: Athletics |
| <b>Music</b>             | Drumming/play                                   | Drumming  |
| <b>Art/DT</b>            | Wire art  | Wire art  |
| <b>P.H.S.E</b>           | Transitions                                     | Friendship; Our world today                     |
| <b>R.E</b>               | Founders and prophets                           | Founders and prophets                           |

**Fun bits:**

We have plenty of interesting off-timetable educational visits this term including Kidzania on 16<sup>th</sup> May; Australia Country Week 23<sup>rd</sup> May; Penn House 6<sup>th</sup> June; HOAC 9<sup>th</sup> June; visiting a Sikh Temple 17<sup>th</sup> June. At school there will also be the following events; Year 6 talks; Year 6 poetry recitals; summer play; sports day; and Leavers' Assembly, to name but a few. It promises to be an exciting time for your child after all their hard work in the run up to SATS and a well deserved enrichment to their curriculum.

On a last note, do remember that I am available to meet after school if you need to discuss anything. Thank you once for your support this year. You've helped create a wonderfully welcoming environment for my first year at Curzon.

Mrs Alfert  
HBA Class Teacher