



**Kidmore End CE Primary School**



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school – we hope you had a wonderful time over the Christmas break.

The spring term is a busy and important term, as we continue our learning journey. The new term brings new routines to support learning.

#### MATHS HOMEWORK

The children have been completing a daily maths sheet in class (Fluent in Five) first thing every morning since the start of the year. This rehearses arithmetic skills ready for their SATS test in May. These sheets will now come home as homework. The children have been told that they can either attempt one sheet per day (there will be 3-5 sheets per week) or do them in one sitting – it is entirely up to them. They are designed to be short, sharp practice. We will also be focusing on the 7 and 8 times tables as these are the trickiest to learn and remember, and are always tested in the SATS – please do support this at home by encouraging use of TT rockstars or rehearsing facts orally together. **Maths homework will go out each Wednesday and be expected in on the following Monday.**

#### ENGLISH HOMEWORK

This will largely focus on spelling and grammar this term. The children will be rehearsing SPAG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) first thing every morning in class. To support this, they will be bringing home a CGP workbook and homework will be to complete sections of this book each week (details will be given and put on google classroom). We will also focus on reading comprehension and practice for this will be sent home after half term. **English homework will go out each Wednesday and be expected the following Monday. Spellings are set on spelling shed each Wednesday and tested the following Monday.**

#### PE

P.E will be on a **Thursday** and on a **Friday**. Kit needs to include outside trainers, jumper and tracksuit bottoms/leggings as PE continues outside, if possible, whatever the weather! **Please make sure your child comes to school in their PE Kit on both days.**

#### SATS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

We will be holding an information session for parents about the SATS in the first half term (see key dates). There will be a short presentation and chance to see the types of papers the children sit.

#### RESIDENTIAL

Medical/information forms will follow shortly.

## CURRICULUM

Our topic this term is the Frozen Kingdoms which provides great opportunities for cross curriculum activities, especially in geography, English and science. An outline of our curriculum for this term is summarised below:

<u>Maths</u> Fractions Decimals Percentages Area and Perimeter (Revision of Place Value and Four Operations)	<u>English</u> Class Novel: Sky Song 2 <sup>nd</sup> Novel to be decided Can We Save the Tiger – letter, persuasive poster, persuasive speech, poem, discussion text Recount – diary entry News report Story writing - adventure
<u>Science</u> Classification and Adaption Electricity	<u>Computing</u> Web Page Creation Introduction to spreadsheets
<u>RE</u> Judaism – Is a Jewish child free to make their own choices? Christianity – Is the resurrection important to Christians?	<u>History and Geography</u> Frozen Kingdoms (Arctic, Antarctic, Titanic, Shackleton)
<u>PE (Thursday and Friday)</u> Tag Rugby - Thursday Gymnastics - Fridays	<u>Art &amp; DT</u> Inuit Art Electrical Models (science link) Environmental artists
<u>Music</u> Charanga music lessons: A New Year Carol You've Got a Friend	<u>French</u> GCP Scheme Penpals

## Key Dates

SATS parents' information meeting: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 9am  
Parents' Evenings: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Half Term: W/C 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Residential: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Should you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to ask. We can only deal with quick queries before school but will usually have more time after school. Alternatively, you may make an appointment or leave a message with the school office. Please can we remind you, that all emails for staff should be sent to the office [office@kidmore-end.co.uk](mailto:office@kidmore-end.co.uk) who will then forward them on.

With best wishes

Sarah Watkins and the Year 6 Team  
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