

26 February 2015

Dear Parents,

It doesn't seem two minutes since I last wrote to you and now, here we are, February already! I hope you had a fun filled half term break and I'm pleased to say that the children have returned to school ready and eager to work.

Once again, thank you for your continued support with reading and homework. I've been truly impressed with the quality of the homework produced, especially a recent project about Brazil. The quality of work handed in was very high so thank you for your encouragement at home with this.

It is a very short half term before us so we will be maximizing every opportunity to prepare for the looming SATs tests. Over the coming weeks, we will look at, work through and practise a range of past SAT questions to help us prepare the best we can. This is not to worry the children but rather equip them with a variety of tips and techniques as well as knowledge needed to do the very best they can.

The children will receive new writing targets this half term. As always, we will continue with maths passports to help develop mental maths skills.

You will be receiving information about after school booster sessions and study groups led by myself and other members of staff.

**Reminder:** Dates for Standard Attainments Tests (SATs) will be the week beginning 11 May 2015. Please put these important dates in the family diary and avoid any planned absences in the build-up to this assessment period.

### Homework

This half term, I will continue to give out homework most weeks on Fridays, unless another day is more suitable. If you require extra homework or practise, please do not hesitate to ask. Please continue to listen to your child read at home or encourage them to use 'Bug club' and to complete the activities and questions for each book.

### Internet

Some issues have arisen this term involving the use of social websites at home such as Snap chat, Facebook and Instagram, causing falling out and upset. Please can you support the school by reminding your children about the appropriate use of these sites and privacy.

### Year 6 timetable

PE is timetabled for a Monday, Tuesday and Friday this half term, although it is best that the children do have their kits in school every day in case of any other events or necessary changes to timetables. Children should ideally bring their kits in this week and be able to leave them in their lockers for the rest of the half term. We are studying hockey this half term and sessions will be taught outside.

As always, I am happy to speak to you regarding queries or concerns. Either make an appointment at the school office, call or pop in after school.

Yours sincerely

Miss Seddon