



## Class Newsletter

### Year 6 – Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back. I hope you all had a great half term, and I am looking forward to finding out what the children have been up to.

#### PE Days

PE lessons will take place on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays**. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days. The kit should include a **red t-shirt, black shorts or black tracksuit bottoms, red or black jumper**. Please do not send your children in wearing football shirts.

Swimming: Swimming sessions will take place on Monday afternoons. We have secured use of the swimming pool and a qualified swimming teacher at Girton. Children will go in small groups for a period of six weeks, and all children will be given the opportunity to take part throughout the school year. Towards the end of the year, those who require additional support to meet the national curriculum requirements will receive top-up swimming sessions. Further information will be sent out soon to let you know if your child will be swimming in the autumn term. Spring term groups will be sent out to parents before the Christmas holidays.

#### Exciting events

I am sure the children are looking forward to our visit to Newstead Abbey to support and consolidate our Victorian learning on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November. If any parents can help on the visit please let me know via the office. We have a 'Just write' day on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November which the children always enjoy. We have a round robin of STEM activities on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December, with the children completing four different exciting and challenging activities.

#### Home Learning

Home learning will be completed via the **White Rose Maths Home Journals**. Children will be informed which pages they are expected to complete and when the work is due. Please support your child in keeping up with these tasks – they match the maths learning that is taking place in the classroom.

**Reading:** We expect children to record their reading in their diaries. Children should aim to complete a minimum of **three sessions of 20 minutes reading each week**. In addition, each child will be provided with a **CGP Reading Comprehension book** and will be expected to complete **one task per week**. They will be informed which task to complete.

Home learning will be shared with the children on a Friday; completed work needs to be handed in by Wednesday of the following week; the expectation is that children do not spend longer than 30 minutes on each activity; if home learning is taking longer than this, please let me know and I will make any adaptations required.

**Curriculum Overview:** Our yearly overview of topics and themes for Year 6 is available on the school website for your reference. This will help you stay informed about what your child will be learning throughout the year.

**Behaviour and Rewards:** We will be using **Class Dojo**, a points-based system, to record and celebrate children's positive behaviours.

I am looking forward to another great half term.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your support,

Mr Straw