

Miss Biggs

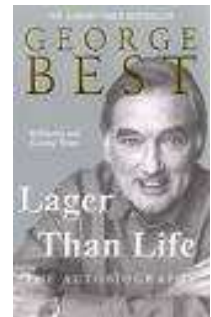
Years 5 & 6

Dear Parent/ Guardian

Happy New Year, it's great to have the children back eager to learn.

I would like to take this opportunity to say hello and inform you about this term, as I am sure you are aware the work and expectations are as always very high.

In terms of Literacy the main non-fiction focus will be on autobiography and biography (diaries, journals, letters, anecdotes, records of observations, etc. which recount experiences and events) as well as formal and impersonal writing. We will be also be spending time looking at dramatic conventions within our narrative unit. Towards the end of the term we will be revising reading and writing in both narrative and non-fiction form.



In Numeracy we will be covering multiplication and division of decimal and whole numbers, fractions (including improper fractions) and corresponding decimals and percentages of numbers, ratio and proportion, probability, data handling using graphs and charts to solve problems, perimeter and area of compound shapes and to read and plot co-ordinates.

The children will be taught the success criteria for various genres of writing, develop their reading and comprehension skills, continue to develop their mental maths strategies and becoming familiar with the use of calculators. We will be starting booster lessons during school time in these subjects for pupils in year 6 and aim to work with pupils who have the ability to attain level 4 but need some extra support due to misconceptions or due to missing that area because of ill health. The boosters are important, not only for the SATs, but also in preparation for secondary school, we aim to maintain a sense of normality for those pupils involved.



On Monday's year 5 pupils shall continue with swimming and also on a Tuesday's all children will be involved in gym and dance. The topic for this term is "People and events that changed Britain". In ICT the children will be creating animations and using PowerPoint to produce presentations. The science topics for this term are "Keeping Healthy" and "Micro-organisms".



Homework will continue as of last term, Learning Logs will be handed out on a Wednesday and will be due back on Monday. It is requested that your child attempts **all** work set and returns it by the due date, I was rather disappointed by the lack of work I received last term.



I do actively encourage the children to speak to me if they have any concerns or problems related to school and I would also invite you to contact me if there are issues arising at home.

I look forward to a successful and positive term with Year 5/6.

Yours sincerely

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