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Dear families,

I hope you and your child/children have enjoyed the half term holiday and are ready for a busy half term leading up to Christmas.

Maths

In our maths lessons we will be continuing to develop our calculation skills, arithmetic skills and our fraction knowledge. It is important that all pupils continue to work on improving their times tables knowledge, the related division facts and the speed at which they can recall number bonds to 100. All pupils are expected to be doing 20 minutes per week on Prodigy, Times Tables Rock Stars or timestables.co.uk at home which will help them with their work in class.

English

This half term we will be studying Anthony Browne's King Kong. The main learning objective throughout the pieces of work will be to learn a range of strategies to ensure that all writing is cohesive – both within paragraphs and between paragraphs. The children will also continue to develop and apply their knowledge of sentence structures and work on improving their vocabulary. All children should be reading at home for at least 10 minutes every day.

Topic

We will be continuing our South America topic by focusing on the rainforest topic this half term. The children will learn why rainforests are important, the implications of logging and what life is like for the indigenous people living in the rainforest.

PE Lessons

This term, PE lessons will be on a Wednesday and Thursday. Please make sure that your child is wearing the correct PE kit into school on these days. As the weather gets colder, pupils are allowed to wear tracksuits rather than shorts for outdoor lessons.

PSHE:

During our PSHE lessons this half term we will be finishing our work on mental and physical health which will cover managing bereavement and loss and feelings and common anxieties when transitioning to secondary school. During Anti-bullying week which takes place from Monday 13 - Friday 17 November in the UK, the children will identify the distinction between banter and bullying through the theme of 'Make a Noise about Bullying'. We will also revisit our safe relationships topic completed in September, allowing children to reflect and build on how to stay safe online.

CPR Training:

We are delighted to be able to offer all year 6 children the opportunity to be part in the Isle of Wight Ambulance Service CPR Guardian scheme to celebrate Restart a Heart Day, this will take place on Thursday 7th December.

Homework reminder

English and Maths homework will be set each Monday and needs to be completed by Friday. If a pupil fails to hand homework in, they will be expected to complete it during break and lunch time on Friday. If completing homework at home is difficult, then your child is welcome to come to homework club after school on a Thursday, please let me or the office know in advance if they will be attending.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Michelmores, Mrs Webb, Mrs Wiper and Mr Gwilliam.

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