

# Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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### **6TS AUTUMN NEWSLETTER 2021**

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your child/children have enjoyed half term holiday and are ready for a busy half term leading up to Christmas. Over this half term we will continue to work on the core subjects as well as participate in a few projects to add some variety to our work across a range of subjects.

### 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 or Timestables Rock Stars at home which will help them with their work in class.

### **English**

Our first writing project will continue to focus on the Amazon Rainforest and will involve the skills of narrative writing as well as information and instruction writing. Our writing will largely be inspired by the book; 'The Explorer' by Katherine Rundell. Our second writing project will focus on the skills of narrative writing and will result in the children producing a story. This writing will allow the class to demonstrate their improved use of language and grammar skills to create an impact on the reader.

### **Topic**

We will be continuing our rainforest topic this half term. The children will continue to reflect on why rainforests are important, the implications of logging and what life is like for the indigenous people living in the rainforest. We will also look at South America as a continent and learn about some of the countries that form this continent.

# **PE Lessons**

PE lessons will be on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please make sure that your child comes to school in PE kit on these days. As the weather gets colder, pupils are allowed to wear tracksuits rather than shorts for outdoor lessons – we will try to be outside as much as possible.

## Homework

English and Maths homework will now be set each Monday and needs to be completed by each Friday. The children have now received SATs Question books from which all homework will be set. Answers sheets are available. If you would some to help when checking homework with your child please let us know.

Yours sincerely,

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