## Don't Forget:

PE kits must be in school at all times.

**Homework** is given out on Friday to be returned the following Wednesday.

**Spellings** will be given out Friday each week, to be tested the following Thursday/Friday.

Water Bottles should be brought in daily.
Uniforms must be correct and clearly labelled with a permanent marker.

Maths: This term we will be revising number, statistics and shape, including reflection, transition and co-ordinates. We will also be developing the strategies used in Mental Arithmetic.

## PE:

Outside PE lessons will be focusing on invasion games and developing the skills of tactics and throwing. The children will also be studying dance in their second PE session.

#### Science:

In the first half term we will be looking at Electricity. We will be focusing on the skill of drawing conclusions and evaluating. We will also be developing the skills of comparing and reasoning to help us explain and give evidence for our answers, referring to scientists' theories. In the second half term, we will be studying Light and how we see things. This will be the topic during National Science Week.

## Dear Parents/ Carers

We would like to wish you a Happy New Year and hope you all had a fantastic Christmas break. We are very much looking forward to continuing the excellent progress your children have made in the last term. As always, please do not hesitate to contact one of us if there is anything you need to discuss. Thank you. Ms Dawson, Mrs Lock, Ms Phillips, Ms Wren, Ms Greenhill and Ms Yusein.

# Year 6 Curriculum News Spring Term

Topic: Tomorrow's World

Value: Patience

# ICT/D&T:

As well as covering E-safety, the children will be looking at the artist and inventor, Leonardo Da Vinci.. The children will be taking part in a DT day during the *Tomorrow's World* day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

### Key Dates:

Tomorrow's World topic day - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January Half Term Week - Monday 12th - Friday 16th February

International Women's Day - Thursday 8th March

## English:

This term we will be writing stories that builds suspense and the focus will be on describing settings, characters and atmosphere. We will use the shot film, Alma, We will also be learning to write a balanced argument. After half term, we will reading "Shackleton's Journey" and writing newspaper reports. The children will be producing information leaflets on what they have learnt about the Amazon River.

Religious Education: The religions we will be studying this term are Islam and then Christianity. We will be learning about The Hajj and why this is important to Muslims. We will also be asking questions such as "Why is Lent an important part of Easter?"

# Art, Design & Music:

Linking to our topic of *Tomorrow's World*, the children will be looking at the great works of Leonardo Da Vinci. We will be looking at his works: *Mona Lisa*, *The Last Supper and the Vitruvian Man*. The children will be creating their own interpretations of his art, using the technique of fresco.

# History/Geography:

Our topic this term is "Rivers". The children will be exploring the New River and will go on local walks. We will then compare this to the River Thames and other rivers around the World. We will be exploring the different features of rivers and looking at how rivers help the world's water cycle.