Everyone belongs at Reay; we think creatively and have a thirst for learning.

YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a wonderful Summer break and that you are happy to be back. We hope you have had a chance to meet the team, Miss Stephenson who will be working Monday & Tuesday, Miss Whitton the remainder of the week, Kristina and Ms Ouazene.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting: This will be held on Wednesday 16th September at 6pm. It is a chance to meet with us to discuss secondary schools, how to apply for them and expectations for both. There is no need to book, please just turn up with all of your questions to be answered.

Topic: Our topic this term will be World War II, we will be reading Goodnight Mr Tom, as a starting point for narrative writing. And we will be using archive audio & film footage as a basis for our non-fiction writing. It's a fascinating and complex topic so will run throughout the entire Autumn term. This half term focussing on The Home front, The Blitz and the role of women in the war effort.

Homework: Please find the creative homework ideas attached.

There will also be **weekly spellings** to learn, these will go home on a **Friday** beginning **September 18th**. Use Look, cover, write and check to help your child learn these as well as asking them to recite them at random pints throughout the week. Also attached is the Year 5 and 6 spelling list which needs to be learned throughout the year.

For Maths, there will be a weekly timetable sheet that we ask to be completed over the weekend in preparation for a timetable test on Monday.

We ask that you hear your child read aloud every day for 15 minutes or so and that you continue to read to your child every day for as long as you like. Afterwards, you can set them something to do in their Reading Journal. This can be drawings, cut outs, character descriptions, comic strip versions, summaries. It can be a lovely record of their reading journey. We will have a look at them on the day your child reads with an adult in class.

Year 6 will be sitting SATs exams in May. We will be preparing for these throughout the year, looking at mathematical reasoning, spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and reading comprehension.

Dates for the diary

Coffee Morning: 17th September
Secondary Transfer meeting: 16th September
Class Assembly: Wednesday 11th November (10:45)
PE: Wednesday & Thursday (please bring full PE kit into school)
Music: For those continuing with lessons starts Wednesday 16th September
Reading Journals: These will be looked at the day your child reads with the class teacher
Spelling Test: Fridays starting 25th September

Best wishes, the Year 6 Team