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

YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a wonderful half term break and feel ready for the exciting term ahead. As before, Ms Stephenson will be working Monday & Tuesday, Ms Whitton the remainder of the week; with Kristina and Ms Ouazene.

Topic: Our topic this term will continue to be World War II, we will be reading The Arrival by Shaun Tan as a starting point for narrative writing and we will be using archive audio & film footage as a basis for our non-fiction writing. This half term we will be focussing on significant events and people in the war, such as the D-Day landing and The Battle of Britain.

Homework: Please find the creative homework ideas attached.

There will also be weekly spellings to learn, these will now go home on a Tuesday. 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.

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

Winter Trip: TBC
Class Assembly: 11.11.26 at 10:45am
KS2 Christmas show: Wednesday 16th December 2026 at 10:30am or 2:00pm
PE: Tuesday & Thursday (please bring full PE kit into school)
Music: Lessons will continue as they were last half term
Reading Journals: These will be looked at the day your child reads with the class teacher
Spelling Test: Every Tuesday

Best wishes, the Year 6 Team