



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you have all had a wonderful and restful half term break and are ready for the new term ahead. As before, Miss Stephenson will be working Monday & Tuesday, Nicola the remainder of the week; with Kristina, Ms Ouazene and Vicky (Tuesday).

Topic: Our topic this term will continue to be The Mayans

Homework: Please find the creative homework ideas attached.

There will also be **weekly spellings** to learn, these will continue to go home on a **Friday**. Use Look, cover, write and check to help your child learn these as well as asking them to recite them at random points throughout the week.

Our weekly arithmetic slot will continue each Monday and as before, the questions will be sent home with the children, so please continue to look at these with the children. The children's pace and confidence in this area of Maths is much improved, ensuring that they are prepared and at ease when they sit the SATS in May. We have recently done a practice paper on each of the areas: arithmetic, reasoning and problem solving, SPaG (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and reading. The children are working hard and doing well. We are proud of them as should you be.

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 have received a couple of lovely projects, as we are continuing with the same topic, please use the ideas already suggested as a starting point for a homework project.

In readiness for the end of year PGL trip we will be hosting a meeting to explain where we are going, what the children can expect to be doing and answering any questions you may have. We are delighted that so many children are able to come and thank the friends of Reay for their support. The meeting will be held in the junior hall at 8.45 on Wednesday 25th March

Dates for the diary

World Book day: Friday 6th Dress up as a favourite book character, bringing in a copy of the book

Science Week: 9th to 11th March - more details to follow in the newsletter

Spring Trip: British Museum **Thursday 12th March, parent volunteers would be appreciated**

PGL Meeting; Wednesday 25th March

All things Mayan Day: Thursday 26th March (cooking, art and games)

PE: Wednesday & Thursday (please bring full PE kit into school)

Music: Lessons will continue as they were last half term

Spelling Test: Every Friday

Best wishes, the Year 6 Team