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NO
FULL STOP
TO LEARNING**

YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER – SPRING TERM 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful half term. Get ready for a jam packed half term!

This half term the children will be learning about the Golden Age of Islam from the death of Muhammad (pbuh) until the fall of Baghdad in 1258. We will be comparing what life was like in the East to that in the West and exploring the advances that early Muslims made in art, science, maths and medicine. We will link this to the expansion of exploration via the Silk Road which linked West to East. This will be particularly apparent during science week where our theme will be journeys. In literacy we will be looking at the tales of Scheherazade, the House of Wisdom and the daily life of people across the early Islamic empire.

We will be preparing for the SATs throughout the term, so please ensure you child is resting and relaxing during their down time, any days off from now until May will really make an impact on your child's progress. Homework will be given out on Friday and we expect their books back in every Thursday. Mental maths tests will continue on a Tuesday and spelling tests on a Friday.

PE will continue to be on Wednesday and Thursday. We have noticed that many of the children seem to be following a trend of wearing their school tops with their jumpers during PE with football shorts. This is not acceptable or part of the school uniform. Children need to have a yellow PE t shirt and black shorts or jogging bottoms. In preparation for their move towards secondary school, children who do not wear the proper PE kit will not be allowed to participate and will be given written work to complete on the subject we are covering, thus ensuring they are informed about what they have missed out on.

We are going to be doing a small fundraiser in class this half term which will help the children with their trip to Spain or can be put in the general trip fund to save money on costs for other school trips in London if they aren't going to Spain. Attached are the year 5 and 6 spelling words. Children are going to have a 'spellathon'. They can be sponsored by parents, carers, family and other adults to memorise as many words as they can. They can be sponsored per word (i.e. 20p for every word learned) or in blocks (i.e. £5 to memorise all of the words beginning with the letter 'a').

Each child will have a spellathon envelope in the office with their name on it to put their money into. Any questions please let me know.

Calendar dates thus far for the term are:

March 7th- Natural History Museum

March 8th- World Book Day

March 12th Science Museum

April 4th- Non uniform fundraiser day (YEAR 6 ONLY)

Please let us know if you have any questions or make an appointment at the office for meetings with Ms Tschiderer before or after school.

Best Wishes,

Ms Tschiderer, Mr Korpala, and Ms Ouezene