Class 6T Newsletter September 2019

Welcome back to the new school year! I hope you have had a good rest and you are looking forward to the exciting work that we will be completing together and learning some of the fantastic topics that we will be covering. Let's make Year 6 the best year yet!

Literacy

During this half term we will be focusing on the book of Wonder by R.J. Palacio and we will be writing for different purposes using this book. We will writing in different styles of characters. We are also going to be writing for a range of genres such as diaries, character descriptions, settings and predictions of the text. We will also be discussing the author's use of language and its effect

on the reader and comparing and contrasting.

Throughout all our writing we will continue to focus on developing our knowledge and understanding of grammar, spelling and punctuation (SPAG), as we will start to prepare ourselves for our SATS. We will also be learning our spellings in class and completing our Year 6 Spelling Bee. Please make sure to practise the Year 3 and 4 spellings, as well as the Year 5 & 6 spelling lists.

We are also focusing on our reading, especially using our new reading records. Please continue to read your library book and reading book every week.

Maths

Maths lessons for the next two weeks will be focusing on place value and looking at numbers up to 10,000,000. We will be identifying the value of each digit and using our problem solving and reasoning skills. We will also be developing and stretching our four basic number skills throughout the autumn term.

The children should continue with their Mathletics learning, which they can access on the computer at school and at home.

Times Tables Rockstars is still taking place every day at school, so please encourage your children to learn their tables at home.





Science

During this half term, our science topic will be on light. We will be learning about how we see light and we will be having challenges during every lesson to see who the possible suspect of who committed a crime using light resources. We will also be able to make our own light box and making shadow puppets to focus on light and dark.

R.E.

In RE our topic we will be focusing on is "What do religions say to us when life gets hard". We will be looking at all religions and comparing and contrasting ideas and values.

We will be discussing the topics of reincarnation, karma and looking at other philosophical terminology and concepts.

Geography

In Geography we will be investigating coasts and how they are formed. We will be comparing how coast lines change over time and how natural disasters have an impact on our coastlines. We will be studying the coastline of Formby as well.

Other curriculum areas

DET— we will be having our own Ashton West End Bake Off and making bread! **Computing** — we will be using our word processing skills to learn how to send emails. **Music** —we will be focusing on Happy by Pharrell Williams.

Weekly Routines

PE - This takes place every Monday afternoon and P.E. kits should be in school at all times.

Homework - English and maths homework is given on Friday and should be returned by Wednesday.

Spellings - Spelling homework is given out every Monday and should be learned for the following week.

Reading - Reading books need to be read on a regular basis. The children have the opportunity to change their reading books and library books every week. The children have been given new and exciting reading records to record their reading in, this needs to be completed every week.