

NORTHSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL - YEAR 6 HALF-TERMLY LETTER

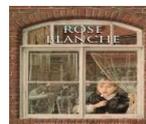
Autumn, second half, November 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a happy and relaxing break, and are ready for the new half term. Our cross-curricular theme this half term in Year 6 is:



World War II



We will be continuing to study the key events in the war, and what life was like for people in Germany during that time. We will be looking at this topic through our different subjects.

Literacy: We will be reading 'Rose Blanche' by Roberto Innocenti and Ian McEwan. Through reading this book, we will look at poetry and fiction writing. We will be writing argument pieces and creating missing people posters. We will also be learning about Germany during World War II, Hitler's rise to power and eventually looking at parts of 'The Diary of Anne Frank'. The children will continue to develop their knowledge of the grammar and writing skills in line with the new curriculum expectations.

Numeracy: Please take every opportunity to help your child with their numeracy skills, including counting, times tables, weights and measures and telling the time. Your child needs to be using the SATs workbook to help remind them of methods, this will also help them to understand the vocabulary around the different areas in numeracy. This half term we will be focusing on angles, area and perimeter, statistics, averages, measure and shapes.

Science: Children will learn all about evolution. They will look at inheritance and variation as well as looking at fossil formation.

Homework: Homework is given on **Fridays**. Children should bring completed homework into school by the following **Wednesday** to be marked. The children will be getting pages from their literacy and numeracy revision workbooks set as homework. This will help to prepare them for their SATs exams later in the school year.

As advised by the government, schools are now required to promote the following British Values:

- Tolerance
- The Rule of Law
- Democracy
- Individual liberty
- Mutual respect

This half term we will look at mutual respect. Your child will take part in an assembly on this to explore and understand what this means.

What you can do to help:

- **READING** - This continues to be a vital part of your child's learning. Please listen to them read and read to them or share the reading - it will encourage your child to enjoy books, in English or a home language.
- **HOMEWORK** - Encourage your child to do their homework and bring it back to school every Wednesday.
- **PE KIT** - Needs to be in school every day - dark shorts, white T-shirt, black plimsolls or trainers.
- **LIBRARY** - Remind your child to bring their library book in every Tuesday.
- **WATER** - Please give your child a named bottle to keep in school, as water helps the brain to function.

If you would like more details of what we are doing, or you have any questions about your child's work, please make an appointment to see me after school. Also, if you can help in any of our topics, please let me know.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Sarah Glancy,
Year 6 class teacher