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Spring 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome back after the half term; we hope you enjoyed some time with your families. We look forward to the remaining months of 2024 and for our Year 6 children, it is their last half a year at St John's. Although some children don't talk about it, it can be an unsettling time as they start thinking about secondary school and making new friends in a new setting. Once they find out their secondary schools, we will work with the staff to ensure their transitions are smooth and that they are as ready as they can be for September.

We are always happy to support you and your children over the year and we will be in our usual drop off and collection points before school and after school if you have any messages or questions. The best way to communicate with us is through our year group email address: year6@st-johns-gosport.hants.sch.uk

Library and PE days. Our library day is on a **Thursday** and our PE days are **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Sometimes these sessions are outside and even if it is cold, we will be going out. Children should continue to wear their colour tops, school jumper and black jogging bottoms or shorts.

Reading at home We will continue to follow our reading challenge expectations; children will earn ticks over the year and catch-up reading will take place of Fridays if children have not read at least **5** times in the previous week. We check daily so will not accept signatures late or all at the end of the week. We already have several children who have earned their 25 reads award. Well done!

Homework We will continue to send home learning home on a Friday. If children do not complete home learning, they will have a catch-up session during a play time with an adult from our year group. It will always relate to learning in class. We always go over home learning with the children and it may be that they peer or self-mark. This is a great way for children to continue to practice their multiplication skills and spellings so please encourage them to use these at home. We have purchased every child a maths CGP SATs question book and we will inform you each Friday what questions they are to complete.

Maths Boosters We will continue to run our focussed tutoring groups to support children with their individual needs in maths. In previous years we have run these groups and we know our children have found them really useful. A reminder that the sessions run from **8:00am-8:40am every Wednesday**. ALL children are invited along to this so please encourage your child to attend.

Topic

This half term, we are learning about WW2. We will be looking at the impact WW2 had on children, women and Britain.



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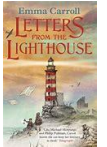
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English

In English we are reading *Letters from the Lighthouse* and we are using this text to support our writing. We will write letters from a chosen character's perspective. Building on our learning in history, the children will write a non-chronological report all about WW2.



Maths

In maths we will be continuing our daily arithmetic work which we do at the start of each day. This helps to develop fluency and the ability to jump from one calculation to another so it is important children continue to arrive at school on time. We are beginning our revision in the build up to SATs where we will revisit all of the areas of maths we cover through questions from past papers.

Science

In Science we will be learning about Evolution. We will look at how evolution happens including the theories from Charles Darwin and Jean-Baptise Lamarck.

DT

In Design Technology we are going to be creating a steady hand game linking to previous learning in science about electricity.

Jigsaw

In jigsaw this half term we will be thinking about Healthy Me. We will think about things we can do to keep ourselves healthy.

RE

In RE, we are looking at Christianity and resurrection.



Music

In music, children are going to be learning about WW2 songs including 'The White Cliffs of Dover'.

We will be holding a WW2 day and we will invite as many parents/carers in so the children can showcase their work.

As always, if you need to contact us, please email year6@st-johns-gosport.hants.sch.uk

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