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"Learning and achieving in a caring community."

*Do to others what you would want them to do to you- Matthew 7:12*

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### Year 5 & 6 - Term 3 - 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year and we hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. Another calendar year done and we've officially reached 2022!

Our first topic of 2022 will be 'What a Wonderful World'. We will, no doubt, be able to draw upon the children's passion and enthusiasm for this one as it has a climate change theme. We will be delving into the problems we are currently facing and the causes and effects that these are having. As well as this, we hope to provide moments to appreciate, with a sense of awe and wonder our wonderful world and discuss possible solutions that lie ahead to restore our ecosystems. As the next generation, the future lies with them and we know they will be excited to get involved in discussions, debates and research into all things relating to the preservation of our world. Our topic web outlines everything we will cover this term, so please have a look. Please take a particular look at the box labelled PSHE as it outlines what we will cover in regards to Relationships, Sex and Health Education (RSHE) this term. Please do contact your child's teacher through Class Dojo if you have any questions or concerns and we will be happy to discuss this further with you.

#### Homework

- Reading – All research conducted by education experts concludes that the impact reading daily has on children is astronomical. Please do support your children to read daily and if they can read aloud to someone at home, that is even more beneficial. The children will continue to have their reading diaries checked in school weekly, with rewards for those who do read frequently.
- Spellings - we will continue to send home six spellings each week for your child to practise and learn. We will be teaching these spellings explicitly in school and at the end of the term, the children will take part in a spelling test, which will contain a random selection of words sent home throughout the term.
- Year 6 parents, I will be writing to you soon to outline my plans to give additional homework in the lead up to SATs, but for now, please continue to focus on spelling and reading.

#### PE

This term, our PE focus will be Tag Rugby and our PE days are Tuesday and Thursday. However, on the week that your child's class is in Forest School, there will be no Tuesday PE lesson. Please keep your eyes peeled on Class Dojo where we will send out reminders. Please ensure that your children wear their school PE kit to school on these days: a yellow PE t-shirt, appropriate black jogging bottoms/shorts and trainers. Please note that the shorts need to be an appropriate length and can be worn under their jogging bottoms. A School jumper should be worn over the top or a plain black jumper. As with last term, if your child has a pair of football/rugby boots that they wish to bring in to partake in our weekly Tag Rugby sessions, they are welcome to do so, **but this is not a requirement, so please do not go out and buy your child boots for these sessions specifically.**

#### School Shoes

As the weather is still wet and cold at the moment, the ground is not getting much of a chance of drying out, causing lots of mud on the field and surrounding grassy areas of the outdoor space. To prolong the expiration date of your children's shoes, please may we request that the children bring in a pair of trainers or wellies which they can put outside the back of the classroom and change into at play times and lunch times. This would also help the level of mud coming into the school and classrooms. An old pair of trainers or wellies would be sufficient but we understand



the additional cost of this so please do not go out and buy anything. The children will be able to bring these to and from school each day in a plastic carrier bag or leave them in school.

Please continue to use Class Dojo to share your home learning and see updates posted by your child's teacher. As always, please do not hesitate to contact us regarding queries, concerns or questions.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jones & Mr Vaughan

