

# Kingfishers' Spring Newsletter 2024

During this term, our focus is on preparing for the end of Key Stage Two SATs tests, that will begin on Monday 13th of May. Our morning booster sessions, which run on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, will begin in the week of 22nd January. If your child attends at least 90% of the booster sessions, they will receive an additional reward once their SATs are completed.

In maths, we will be learning about ratio, algebra, percentages and decimals, as well as measurement and statistics.

In reading, we will be focusing on the book 'The Boy at the Back of the Class,' by Onjali Rauf. The children will really enjoy this book!

In English, our first piece of writing will be based on winter. The children will be able to use their creativity to write a winter setting description before producing some writing based on the Shakespeare play 'Romeo and Juliet'.

In science, our new topic is electricity. This is an exciting topic where the children will learn all about electrical circuits and will involve some practical lessons.

We are already working extremely hard, and all of the staff, who work in year six, are very impressed— keep it up!



## P.E

Our P.E. day this term is on **Thursday**. Some of our PE topics may be carried out outside, so can you please ensure your child brings a suitable P.E. kit suitable for indoor and outdoor lessons. Can we also request that their P.E. kit is left in school throughout the week. Swimming will continue on Fridays. Swimming is a compulsory lesson in the primary National Curriculum and an essential life skill; therefore, children must attend weekly swimming lessons.

## Homework

Your child will receive spellings, grammar and maths homework every **Friday**. They will also need to take home and return their reading book daily. Our weekly spelling test will be carried out on a **Friday**. Every week, there are games on Spelling Shed (accessed via Wonde) available for them to rehearse the week's spelling rule. The homework sheets provided will give them an additional opportunity to practise what they have been learning and support them in preparation for their SATs tests.

## Spring Term Focus

Our focus this term is handwriting, presentation and times tables.

Each week a child is chosen from each class to receive the handwriting and presentation award. There will also be opportunities for children to gain their pen licence!

Children can log on to TT Rockstars to practise their times tables. We are able to keep track of their progress through the teacher portal.

We are very impressed with how much effort year six are putting in so far this term and are looking forward to the term ahead.

## Reminders

- Please ensure that your child arrives at school promptly at 8:45am.
- Please send your child with a water bottle every day.
- If your child wears glasses, please ensure that they are in school every day.
- Please ensure that your child has a coat in school every day.

## Any Concerns

If there is anything you would like to discuss with us, please feel free to come and speak to any member of staff working in year six.

Thank you for your continued support!

Mr Brazier, Miss Griffiths, Mrs Cotton and the year six team.