



## St. Andrew's CE Primary School Year 6

Happy New Year everyone! We'd like to begin by thanking you all for your very generous Christmas gifts, we are very grateful and appreciative of your kindness. We are now well under way with the spring term in Year 6 – the first term flew by and we know that this one will go by even quicker. The children have made a fantastic start to Year 6 with both their work and their behaviour and we cannot wait to see what this term has in store for us all.

### Homework Books

For this half term we have switched back to our SPAG homework books in English – children should be able to complete these weekly tests independently as they will just be reinforcing the learning that they have been doing in class. After the February half term, we will then revert to the comprehension homework books. The questions in both these books replicate the type of questions the children will be asked in their SATs. It is very important the children complete these tests on a weekly basis and to the best of their ability!

### Spellings

We will continue to work on spelling patterns and rules in class, but we ask that you continue to encourage your children to use spelling shed on a regular basis, practising not only the weekly spellings but delving into the other spelling games and lists.

### Xtables Rockstars

There are a number of children in year six who would really benefit from putting in some extra practice on xtables rock stars. Having quick speed of recall of their times tables is one of the best ways of improving your child's maths ability and confidence. You'll be surprised how many areas of maths need good times tables knowledge and practising a little and often on the app is the best way to improve!

### Homework will be due in on the same days

English Homework: Thursday to Thursday

Maths Homework: Monday to Monday

Spellings: Wednesday to Wednesday

### Reading

Could we please ask for your continued support with regard to your child reading at home. We know that the children enjoy reading to themselves but it is still extremely important for you to listen to them read, on a regular basis, in

order for them to develop their comprehension skills, fluency and speed of reading.

### Prefects

It has been great to see all the children performing their prefect duties around school. Every child helps out during one dinnertime every third week and it helps us and the lunchtime supervisors out massively, so thank you children. Other prefect roles have been or will shortly be changing during the course of this half term and we know the new children taking over will do just as good a job!



### Disco

The penultimate disco at St. Andrew's for the Y6 children will be on the 13<sup>th</sup> February, we hope to see you all there with your dancing shoes on!

### PE Kits

Please can we remind everyone that the children's PE kit needs to be in school every Friday. This half term we will be doing gymnastics and then a variety of invasion games.

### Website

Please keep an eye out on the school website, especially our class page. We update it every half term with some pictures and information about what we've been doing in class. We recently had a travelling science show visit us at school and you'll see some pictures of the class page.

<https://www.st-andrews-worsley.salford.sch.uk/year-6-4/>

### Topics for this term

Below is a general overview of the topics we will be covering this term.

Maths	Algebra, FDP, Measures and Arithmetic
English	Titanium story writing, blogs, volcano non-chronological reports, newspaper articles and explanation texts.
Science	Living Things + Evolution and Inheritance
Computing	Recording sounds and creating media
RE	Eucharist and Ahimsa. (harmlessness)
Geography	Natural Disasters – Earthquakes and Volcanoes
PE/GAMES	Gymnastics and Invasion games
Art	Sculpture and pencil drawings - Volcanoes

**SATs Week:** Just a reminder that SATs week begins on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May. Please do not book any holidays during this week.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mr. Royle, Mr. Watson, Mrs Curran and Mrs Hilton.