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to be the best we can be!  
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# Year 6 Newsletter

## Summer First Half Term 2023

### Important Information:

Dates – SATs week 9<sup>th</sup> May – 12<sup>th</sup> May  
Express event (including dress up) – 24<sup>th</sup> May at 9 am  
PE – Indoor PE (all Y6 classes): **Monday**  
Indoor PE: **Tuesday** – Ennis 6, **Tuesday** – Farah 6 and  
**Thursday** – Simmonds 6.  
Indoor and outdoor kits should stay in school. Please label all items. Earrings must be taken out or covered with plasters before school on your PE day.  
Reading books – Please read with your child at least three times a week and sign the reading diary to earn rewards.  
Library – Our library times: **Wednesday** – Ennis 6,  
**Thursday** – Farah 6 and **Wednesday** – Simmonds 6.  
Children should return books when ready to change them.

### English

Text Focus: Varmints by Helen Ward

- Focus writing text type: Diary
- Addition writing text type: Argument
  - Use of semi-colons and colons
  - Extending sentences using subordination
  - Choice of vocabulary for description
  - Tense
  - Persuasive devices

### Healthy Schools

#### Science

- Living things and their habitats (Classification)
  - describe characteristics of different vertebrate and invertebrate groups

#### P.E.

- Rounders (Batting and fielding)



### Maths

Key Instant Recall Fact: I know the multiplication and division facts for all times tables up to 12x12  
Geometry: Shape

- Angles in triangles
- Angles in quadrilaterals
- Accurate shape drawing

Geometry: Position and Direction

- Reading coordinates from the four quadrants
- Translations and reflections
- Solving coordinate problems

Times Tables Rock Star Focus: Up to 12 x 12

### Topic

Key Focus Subject: British Values – Individual Liberty

#### Art

- Evaluate my calligraphy based on the techniques used.

#### D.T.

- Develop ideas for a product with an embedded computer system that controls it.

#### History

- Understand who the Windrush Generation are.
- Investigate Martin Luther King Jr and Abraham Lincoln.
- Understand the importance of the 'I have a Dream' speech and the impact it had on society.

### SMSC

Our Key School Value this half term: Honesty  
Our Life Skill this half term: Home Management Skills  
R.E.

Religion: Islam

Theme: Beliefs and moral values

Key Question: Does belief in Akhirah (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives?

#### MFL

- Wider World
- Talk about different types of Transport

#### PSHE

- Relationships – managing and maintaining relationships.

### Personal Development

Mental Health and Well-being

- Breathing and Mindfulness Techniques

Music

- Music and Me – Inspirational women

Computing

- Coding – developing use of code and making improvements when codes have a bug.