

## English

Our main focus this half-term is persuasive writing inspired by our exciting visit to Ghyll Head as well as producing some informative texts about the Lake District. Year 6 will also have 3 extra 'Punctuation and Grammar' lessons each week on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon – Mrs Charlton will be supporting in these lessons too. Spellings will continue to be sent home weekly and the children will be tested every **Wednesday**. Some of the spelling words are very tricky – please check your child understands the meaning of them too.

## Topic

Year 6 will begin to focus on History this half-term as we explore life both in 17<sup>th</sup> century London and the small Derbyshire village of Eyam during the Great Plague. We will also continue our **R.E.** study what is of more value – religious architecture and art or being charitable and kind.

**Other subjects:** The children will extend their **Geography** skills through a study of rivers and mountains and take on a persuasive global challenge in **PSHE**. We will also continue to look at the rights of children.

**SATs Exams 14<sup>th</sup>–17<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

## How you can help your child:

**Reading together:** Please listen to your child read regularly and discuss with them what has been read. Please sign reading logs too.

**Online:** Every child has a *Reading Eggs* account and access to *Numeracy Workout* (username: crowcroft, password: share).

**Reminder: KS2 Maths SATs Revision Guides have been ordered and are available at the office. Later in the term we will also be selling English Revision Guides that will support your child's writing and SPAG test. These are all being sold for a discounted price!**

**Reading day:** Children **must** arrive at **8:50am** on their reading day and I will be checking their green reading log has been written in at least 3 times each week.

## Dates

**Parents Meetings:** Week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> January  
**Class Assembly:** TBC

**Trip to Ghyll Head:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January

**PE day:** THURSDAY - Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school and has any ear-rings removed.

## Maths

This half-term we will be covering: decimals, percentages and algebra. **Times tables up to 12 x 12 must** be learnt, if not already known off by heart. Look through your child's last assessment paper with them as soon as possible so you know the standard of Maths expected by the end of Year 6. An extra arithmetic lesson will take place each week on a Tuesday afternoon which Miss Daly will help to support too. Use the Revision Guides sold by school as they are really useful for helping to embed the children's learning. If you have any questions about how best to support your child in Maths, please come and see me or send me an email. I'm happy to help!

## ***Happy New Year!***

*I hope you have had a relaxing break and are looking forward to a wonderful 2018. I'm really looking forward to an exciting week at Ghyll Head, after which the children must then work as hard as possible so that they feel ready and confident for their SATs exams in May.*

*If you have any questions or concerns, please come and see me at the end of the day or email me at [a.nunn@crowcroftpark.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:a.nunn@crowcroftpark.manchester.sch.uk)*

*Kind regards,  
Mrs. Nunn*