

Dear Parents /Carers,

Welcome back to the final part of the Autumn term. In the run up to Christmas, Year 6 will be learning the following:

Topic Title	Extreme Earth
English	Shackleton's Adventures- nonfiction text about Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic expedition on the Endurance. Writing focus- interviews, film trailers, narratives, travel brochures. Grammar- all of the Year 5 and 6 SPAG objectives revised.
Mathematics	Fractions: use common factors to simplify fractions; use common multiples to express fractions in the same denomination; compare and order fractions, including fractions > 1; add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions
Science	Dinosaurs- experiments investigating thermodynamics, skeletal structure and adaptations. Children gather and analyse evidence. Cookery/ baking sessions
ICT	Online safety scenarios/ History of Computing/ Fun with Scratch
RE	Remembrance Looking at how Christians advertise Christmas to show what Christmas means today
Geography/History	Extreme Earth- climates, extreme weather, volcanos, earthquakes, tsunami, water cycle
PE	Dance/ Games
DT/Art	Pop Word Art- climate change words.
PSHE	RULER What is true happiness? What makes a good friend? Is it more important to be liked or respected? Should governments penalise people for unhealthy lifestyles?

Dates to remember:

Thursday 12th November – Mrs Palmer giving a Scott of the Antarctic talk via zoom

Friday 11th December – Christmas jumper day and Christmas lunch.

16th December – Christmas Talent Show Finals

17th December - Christmas Parties

18th December - last day of term

Unfortunately, there will be no trips organised this half term due to the restrictions placed on us by Covid19.

Other useful information:

- ❖ PE lessons will take place on **Monday and Thursday afternoons**. On these days the children are to wear their clean PE kits to school and remain in them all day. If your child is unable to participate in PE for a medical reason, a note must be provided.
- ❖ Please ensure your child is reading at home for at least 20 minutes per day.
- ❖ Miss Pink will continue to teach the class on Thursdays. She will be covering my PPA time (Planning, preparation and assessment time and Newly Qualified Teaching time). Miss Smith will continue to support us in class every day.
- ❖ Due to the tighter restrictions in place because of Covid we are unable to have our normal Christmas church service this year however, we will still be prerecording a Nativity with year 6 performing and sing some Christmas carols. This will be put together with the other Key Stage 2 classes to share with you towards the end of term.

Homework:

- ❖ Monday – SPAG
- ❖ Tuesday – Maths
- ❖ Wednesday – Writing
- ❖ Thursday – Reading
- ❖ Friday - Spelling
- ❖ All homework is due on the same day the following week, with the exception of writing homework. Writing homework will be given every second Wednesday. The children will have two weeks to complete writing homework. The first week to plan and draft. The second week to edit, improve and write it up neatly in their best joined handwriting.

If you require any additional information or have any queries/concerns please contact myself or Miss Pink via email at teacher@allsaintsce.lbhf.sch.uk

Kind Regards,

Miss Foster and Miss Pink