



# Year 6 Weekly News

10<sup>th</sup> January 2020

## This week we have:

- Completed a Pre-Unit Assessment on decimals.
- Multiplied and divided decimals by 10, 100 and 100 by 'jumping the zeros'.
- Read and responded to the first few chapters of 'Skellig' written by David Almond.
- Written our own descriptions of the setting and character within the book.
- Revised how to identify main, subordinate and relative clauses, and used commas for clarity.
- Started our Science unit, classifying animals and plants according to specific criteria, as well as finding out about 'The Five Kingdoms'.

## Next week we shall be:

- Multiplying and dividing decimals by whole integers and applying these skills to problem solving.
- Trying out techniques used by the author, to create atmosphere and suspense in our own descriptive writing.
- Writing in the role of the main character from 'Skellig'.
- Revising apostrophes for possession of singular and plural nouns – this is something many of us struggle with!
- Linking our artwork to our class text, focussing on the theme of birds and feathers.

## Homework:

For **English** this week, the children have been given a Grammar worksheet. Their task is to identify specific word classes within given sentences. This is due for completion by **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January**.

For **Maths** this week, the children have been given some arithmetic questions to answer relating to multiplying and dividing decimals. For some children, there is a place value grid to help them should they need it.

Maths Whizz has been set to focus on decimals and the children can choose to complete **3 progressions** as part of their homework. Any progressions completed on Maths Whizz will be rewarded with House Points.

This homework is due for completion by **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January**.

This week's spelling list can be found in your child's Homework diary. Please encourage them to practise these at home using Spelling Shed – your child's username and password can also be found in their homework diary. I will also be running a Spelling Shed Club on a Friday lunchtime which the children are welcome to attend.

The children are encouraged to practise and improve their times table recall speed by visiting 'The Studio' <https://trockstars.com/>.

As part of their weekly homework, the children are expected to read for at least 20 minutes every evening. It is really encouraging that many of the children read to wind down before bedtime. Buster's Book reading data will be collected starting from next Thursday, once the children have received their Spring bookmarks.

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### Further information and Key Events

#### **Mid-Year Reports**

The Mid-Year Reports have been sent home with the children today. These reports give you an indication of how well the children are progressing in Year 6 and also provide information on areas of the curriculum that they are currently working on. The report contains information on the Learning Behaviours of the children – this is the new report that was included in the End of Year Report 2018/2019 for the first time.

If you have any comments or questions about the reports please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 6 Teaching Team.

#### **Clubs for Term 3**

There are 2 clubs that are new to Term 3, both are available for Year 6 children to attend. Lego Club and Spelling Shed club are running on a Thursday and Friday respectively. Check out the Weekly Bulletin for further details.

#### **SAT Parent Meeting**

We will be holding a meeting for all parents straight after school on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January** in the Year 6 classroom. This meeting is intended to inform you about the arrangements and expectations of the SAT assessments in May and how the school and you as parents can best support your children in preparing for them. We look forward to seeing you there from 3.15pm.

#### **Book Look for Term 3**

Book Look this term will take place from 2.30pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February.

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