

Class 4 Newsletter

February 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

I wanted to send our newsletter for next half-term to you earlier than usual, as there are some dates and information I'd like you to have before we start again after the holiday.

During the next half-term, learning in Y6 will be based on justice and democracy. We will be learning a little about the Magna Carta (as this year marks the 800th anniversary of the Magna Carta); exploring key historical figures of the time, such as King John and Robin Hood; comparing views on justice from different religions and learning how to write balanced arguments.

The main addition to the Y6 timetable next half-term will be Sex and Relationships Education (SRE). These sessions will be delivered by myself (with the boys) and Mrs. J. Walton (with the girls) on a weekly basis. Both boys and girls receive the same programme, but the discussions which take place are usually very different. Our SRE programme covers: changes that occur during puberty; managing emotions confidently and sensitively; human reproduction; the birth of a baby; how to keep ourselves safe and how the media presents information. We have successfully run the programme for several years now. If we feel that your child doesn't show the maturity to cope sensibly and respectfully with these sessions, they will not be allowed to take part and will only receive the statutory scientific information regarding human lifecycles. We will be using materials from Channel 4 learning, including DVDs and worksheets/activities. Please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mrs. Walton if you would like more information about our SRE sessions, or would like to have a look at the materials we will be using.

Y6 tests

The children have been working really hard and are very aware that their Y6 tests are looming. Please continue to keep encouraging them to do a 30 minute revision session as regularly as possible, as well as brushing up on their times tables.

Diary dates:

Monday 23rd February

School re-opens

Friday 27th February

Miss Rosenberg's last day with Y6

Friday 6th March

World Book Day - come dressed as princesses, knights or dragons!

Tuesday 10th March, 6pm

Y6 parents' information evening for children moving up to Garforth Academy

Thursday 12th March

Mothers' Day Service

W/C 23rd March

Whole school science themed week

Wednesday 25th March 3.30 - 5.00

Parents' Evening appointments

Thursday 26th March 5.30 - 8.00

Parents' Evening appointments

Wednesday 1st April

Come in and work alongside your child, 9 - 10.30. Themed week sharing assembly for parents 10.30.

Thursday 2nd April, 10.15am

Easter Service at St. Mary's

W/C 11th May

Y6 test week

Regards,

Mrs. Loring