



BISHOPSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Year 6

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Dear Parents,

We have been impressed with how positively the children have come back for the second half of Spring term. They have had a busy first week back. As you know, the end of KS2 SATs are fast approaching and the children will be beginning their revision timetable on the week commencing 16th March.

We will be continuing to do topic work and PSHE in the afternoons alongside their other revision, as well as weekly PE sessions. Below are some reminders and an outline of the term ahead.

Uniform

Please make sure that all uniform, PE kit, school bags, coats, shoes and lunch boxes are clearly labelled to avoid a build-up of lost property. **PE** is planned to be on a **Wednesday** for the rest of this term so please continue to send your child in in their PE kit. Please also ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the weather and have a water bottle in school with them every day.

Revision packs and homework diaries

On a Monday your child will stick the homework that needs to be completed over the week into their revision book. **We will hand out the revision packs in the week beginning 9th March.** Their revision packs should be with the children in school every day. This is because some of the revision work that we do in class will be completed in their books from their packs, as well as using their red information books to help them in lessons. The information page of the diary can be used to give us information, but anything of a sensitive nature should be written in a letter to the class teacher. **To enable the children to become more independent we encourage the children to show the teacher any messages in their diaries.** Children who continue to record reading in their homework diaries more than 3 times in a week will be entered into the weekly reading raffle. It is, however, not a compulsory part of their homework during the revision period. **Until the start of the revision period, the children will have only a maths sheet and weekly reading to complete.**

Homework Club

To continue to support your children in the lead up to SATs we are now holding a Homework Revision Club on **Monday** after school from **9th March** until **27th April**. It is being run by Mrs Dreelan and Mrs Ouazzani-Yusein from 3:30 to 4:30pm to help children with their revision.

SATs week will be the week commencing Monday 11th May through to Thursday 14th May. Please ensure your child does not take holiday during school time during the lead up to SATs as they will greatly benefit from the revision we will be doing.

Important Dates...

Every Monday from 9th March until 27 th April	Homework Revision club - 3:30 - 4:30pm
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day- Dress up as a favourite book character/pyjamas
Friday 27 th March	Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday 13th April	Start of Summer term
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
11 th - 14 th May	SATs week

Yours faithfully,
Mrs Dreelan and Mrs Ouazzani-Yusein

At Bishopswood, we offer a rich and diverse curriculum that engages all children. Enriched activities that motivate children, enhancing their life opportunities is something that is very important to us.

Year 6	Who were the Mayans and what have we learnt from them?
Subject	Areas Covered
Learning Enrichment	Book week – Week beginning 2nd March World Book Day – 5 th March
Reading:	Our reading texts this half term will begin with comparing different versions of Shakespeare's Macbeth. We will then be moving onto reading revision sessions which are all focused on SATs revision and the question types children will encounter in the tests. They will be reading a variety of fiction, non fiction and poetry texts. We will be finishing Holes as our class novel
Writing:	This half term the children will be using Shakespeare's Macbeth as the main stimulus for their writing. We will begin with writing an effective opening to the story, focussing on sentence structure and including dialogue to advance the story. We will then be writing a persuasive letter from Lady Macbeth to Macbeth, persuading him to kill King Duncan. Finally, the children will be writing a journal entry from Macbeth's point of view, following on from the murder of King Duncan and his part in it.
SPAG	We will be completing Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar lessons over the next half term where the children will be learning about different grammatical features and how to use them. We will cover areas such as the different verb tenses, subjunctive form and active and passive voice. We will also be revising different areas of SPAG we have covered earlier in the year.
Mathematics	To start the half term, we will be covering ratio, statistics and algebra. We will then be moving on to our period of maths revision. Through this the children will revise every topic they have learnt this year, through reasoning style questions, to help them prepare for the SATs. We will also be completing regular arithmetic practice.
Design Technology	The children are beginning a group project based around chocolate, linking to our Mayan unit. They will be working in small groups to carry out market research into favourite flavours and types of chocolate. Using their market research, they will then design their chocolate bar, as well as coming up with wrappers, slogans and advertising for it. They will end by pitching their ideas as a group to the year 6 staff.
Computing	This half-term the children will be thinking about the importance of staying kind online and what they can do if someone isn't being kind. The children will learn how to appropriately stand up for others, in order to reduce negative and unkind messages online. Children will be reminded about extending real-life behaviour into online behaviour. For example, 'don't say things online that you wouldn't say to someone face-to-face' and how they can turn negative comments into more positive ones.
Geography/History	The Mayans We will be continuing our work on the history and geography of the Mayan civilisation this term. We will be looking at artefacts and sources to compare the daily life and belief systems of the Mayan citizens with the Vikings. We will also be looking at the fall of the Mayan Civilization.
Physical Education	In tennis, the children will develop their ability to control the ball and to develop a cooperative rally. They will move onto learning an underarm serve, footwork and how to return a serve. They will understand how to develop a serve and recognise the five basic ways to win. In indoor PE, the children will develop different ways of travelling. They will learn a range of balances. These will be applied as they travel on the equipment. Children will develop their ability to balance, hold positions and move with increasing agility.
My Happy Mind	Appreciate is focussed on teaching children the following: How being grateful or, being thankful makes us feel. The different ways to show gratitude or to express our thanks. The importance of taking time out to stop and be grateful or thankful.