



### Dates for your diary:

#### SUMMER 1

**Thursday 6th June** - Empathy Day  
**WB 17th June** - ARTS WEEK  
**Tues and Weds 18th and 19th June** - Class Photos  
**Friday 21st June** - Windrush Day  
**Friday 5th July** - Sports Day  
**Friday 12th July** - Reports Home  
**Saturday 13th July** - PTA Summer Fair  
**Thursday 18th July (4-6pm)** - Open Evening  
**Tuesday 23rd July (6:30pm)** - Year 6 Production  
**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** – Play Day  
**Thursday 25th July (2pm)** - Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Dear Year 6 Families,  
We hope you all had a restful break. This half-term is the children's last one at Fairlawn and we will be trying our best to make it as action-packed and enjoyable as we can:

#### Fiver-Challenge

As is tradition, this term we will be taking part in the annual 'Fiver-Challenge'. This challenge offers an excellent introduction to enterprise and the world of the workplace through a highly interactive four weeks as we work in groups to research, create, plan and run our own business with a £5 pledge.

#### Matilda

We are proud to present 'Matilda' as our Year 6 leavers' production. This week, the children will have the chance to audition for their preferred part. Once they have been assigned their role, please encourage and support them to learn any lines they have and to make the part as amazing as they can. We will be sharing our performance with Year 6 families on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July!

#### Transition to Secondary School

We will be taking part in a range of activities to support the children's transition to secondary school. Please remember to let us know when your child's transition day with their new secondary school is.

#### LEARNING CONTINUES..

#### WRITING

Over the next few weeks, we will be using *Varmints*, a short story and film about an environmental catastrophe, to explore how atmosphere can be created and suddenly changed so that our reader goes on a poignant and tense journey with our main characters. By the end of the topic, the children will plan and write their own disaster story involving a wild fire.

#### MATHS

Our maths learning this half term includes:

- Ratio
- Algebra

#### SCIENCE

The children will conclude their science in Year 6 focusing on light and sight. Expect lots of practical experiments where the children explore how light travels, why shadows change and how they are formed, as well as understanding how we see objects.

#### HISTORY

This half-term, we will be starting a British Empire topic. The learning will mainly have a history focus as we explore why Britain once ruled the largest empire the world has ever seen. We will also explore the cultural impact of the empire, looking at influences in art and music and how it's evolved over time.

#### PE

This half-term, the focus will switch to athletics and outdoor and adventurous activities (OAA). Please ensure that your child comes appropriately dressed for PE on the day of their lessons and is ready for any sessions that are planned for off-site, e.g. Peckham Rye Park:

6BD - Tuesdays and Thursdays  
6A - Wednesdays and Fridays

#### HOME LEARNING

Although home learning will look a little bit different this half-term, it continues to be an important part of Year 6 as we begin to prepare the children for secondary school. Here are some examples of tasks that the children may be asked to complete:

- Maths challenges
- Writing challenges and competitions
- 'Matilda' preparation, e.g. learning lines, designing programme covers
- 'Fiver-Challenge' preparation
- Transition activities

#### Finally. . .

If you need to get in contact with us, please do so during school hours only: 8:00am - 6:00pm (Monday - Friday) and we will respond as soon as we can.

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