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Year 6 Curriculum Letter Autumn 2nd Half Term 2018-19

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a great half term and everyone is coming back with renewed energy.

As the year 6 tests are high priority this year, we are really concentrating on our Maths and English learning. This half term in Maths we are using all 4 calculations and their mental and formal methods, using integers, decimals and negative numbers. Within this context we will be working with money and measurements. We will also learn about shapes, angles and problem solving.

In English we will re-visit recounts, instructions, explanations and poetry as well as extending our grammar, punctuation and spelling knowledge.

In Science this half term, we will be looking at the topic 'Electricity'.

We will be:

- Investigating a range of simple electric circuit challenges.
- Investigating the effects of voltage and number of components on a working circuit Explore resistance through the use of various components.
- Drawing circuit diagrams
- Designing and creating a light decoration circuit

In RE, we will carry on exploring the Buddhist faith and compare its beliefs with our Christian beliefs and values. The children will also be having a deeper look at Christianity. They will be looking at the role of Jesus as the Messiah and exploring Biblical texts. They will further look at how Christians express their beliefs about Jesus as the Prince of Peace and as one who transforms lives, through bringing peace and transformation in the world. Furthermore they will discuss the difference between the sacred and secular Christmas.

The children will of course carry on with Game On as well as being taught music by Herts Music service. Computing as well as Art will be incorporated into our topic and science work. In our topic work this term, we will carry on learning about the Tudors. In PSHE our school value is Friendship and our SEAL theme is 'Getting on and falling out'. We will carry on using Mindfulness techniques as well as the Growth Mindset approach and incorporate this philosophy into our lessons.

Please ensure your child has a replenished pencil case for this half term, and that painting shirts and PE kits are in school at all times! As always, if you have any questions about your child's learning or about anything else, please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards,
Mrs Dobbs