



Bishop William Ward C of E (VA) Primary School

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Headteacher: Mr Toby Bull

7th September 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had an enjoyable summer break. Thank you to all those families who have already signed up to Class Dojo - I hope that you are finding it informative.

This term we are studying the topic 'War and Peace'. Further information about this (along with the other topics we will be covering this year) will be available on the Year 6 curriculum map, which will be updated on our website soon.

Homework will be given out on Fridays and the children will be given two weeks to complete their task. Each week your child will also receive spellings which, although they will be taught in class, we would be grateful if you could support the children in reinforcing the learning of these at home (they will be tested each Friday). All homework will reinforce the work we have been doing in class and your child should be able to complete it independently. However, there are occasions when your child will be challenged. Please support them whenever you can or remind them that they can always ask Mrs Lewis, Mrs Cozens (our class teaching assistants) or me for help. Children should be encouraged to work to the best of their ability and complete homework with a sense of pride. Children will be awarded dojo points for completing their homework.

This half term our PE days will be an indoor PE session on Monday afternoons and an outdoor games session will take place on Friday afternoons. Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing. As the weather gets colder they will need jogging bottoms and a sweat top.

In Year 6 all children have the opportunity to play a woodwind or brass instrument and they will be able to bring the instrument home so they can practise. On Wednesday afternoons, whole class sessions will be taken by a peripatetic music teacher, Anne Ruddock. These instruments are valuable and for this reason I ask that you do not allow them to be played with as toys.

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Good readers become good writers, so although your child may read fluently, it is still vital that you talk to them about the books they are reading. Ask questions to check their depth of understanding.

An important date for your diary will be SATs which will take place between **Monday 14th May and Thursday 17th May**. The following link has some useful information for parents:

<http://www.theschoolrun.com/key-stage-2-SATs-2017>

If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact and/or book an appointment to meet with me. I look forward to meeting you over the coming weeks and at parent meetings later in the term.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs K Holliday

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