

## Year 6 Autumn 1 newsletter 2014

**Our topic this half term will be the 'Mayans.'**

### **Numeracy**

During this half term, the children will be covering the Year Six objectives for Numeracy. The children will be doing an hour of Numeracy, followed by a daily 15 minute mental lesson. In addition, the children will have an hourly Numeracy session in the afternoon to support their investigational skills.

Homework for Maths will be set through My Maths on Fridays. If you don't have access to the internet, please speak to me so I can arrange access to the school internet through the dinner time lunchtime club.

Some children will receive support 1 to 1 support and have access to the Early bird club.

In Year 6, all children need to know their times tables, so any support you can give your child on learning their tables would be much appreciated. Children will have weekly times tables tests.

### **Literacy**

All Literacy will be based on our topics this year. Writing this half term will be based on the ancient Mayan civilization. A new writing genre will be explored every two weeks, ensuring by the SATs, children will have covered each genre at least twice. In addition to an hours Literacy lesson, children will access half an hours guided reading session and half an hour SPAG (spelling, grammar and punctuation) lesson.

Spellings will be set via the school website and will be stuck into the children's home school diaries too.

Children will access Bug club books available on line.

### **Topic**

Children will be exploring the topic of the Ancient Mayans. The children's Literacy, Geography and History will be based on this.

### **P.E**

Please could you make sure that your child always has a P.E. kit in school. Please could you also ensure that long hair is suitably tied back. The children's P.E. session will be all Friday afternoon with Mr Steadman and Mr Kirk from Dinnington Comprehensive. The focus this term will be exploring becoming a sports leader, football and cross country.

**Home learning**

The home learning during this term will be:

1. Spellings
2. Numeracy ( My Maths)
3. To read at least three times a week at home
4. Learn my times tables up to 12 x 12
5. Research areas that you are unsure of

**Just a reminder**

Parents evening Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Crucial Crew Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Inset days Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October

Last day of term Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me,

Mr Furnival