

# Manor Longbridge School

## Year 6 Spring Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the spring term in Year 6. It is hard to believe we are already in 2024 and only have seven months left at Manor Longbridge. As usual, we have had an extremely busy start to the new term and have created fantastic DT projects based on places of worship. We have also recently visited the Science Museum to watch a 3D documentary on the South Pole, it was very interesting and has really helped to bring our learning to life.



### English/Geography

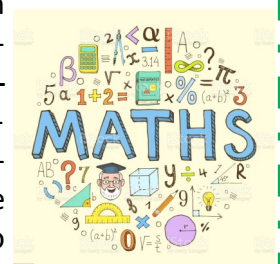
This term we will be focusing on **'Frozen Kingdoms'**. In this project, your child will learn about characteristics and features of the polar regions. They will explore the polar landscapes and compare weather conditions and wildlife. Children will get to research the Inuit and indigenous people and explore tourism in the Antarctic. Year 6 will also research and engage with reading about the doomed Titanic and learn about icebergs.

During our guided reading and English lessons, we will focus on *Kensuke's Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo, *Eye of the Wolf* by Daniel Pennac and *The Ice Bear* by Jackie Morris. Our writing will be based on these core texts and genres will include: narrative writing, poetry, newspaper reports, recounts, internal monologues, diary entries, letter writing and non-chronological reports. A range of grammar will be taught alongside our units of writing to ensure your child is able to apply what s/he has been taught.

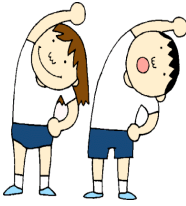
In guided reading, children will focus on justifying their opinions using evidence from the text and characterisation.

### Maths

The children will continue to follow White Rose, which runs in many schools within the borough and is a thorough and broad scheme of work. The children will be working on **ratio, decimals, fractions & percentages, area, perimeter & volume and statistics**; using the knowledge from these topics to apply skills to reason and solve problems. As a team, we encourage you to speak with your children and show them examples of maths in your daily life (**maths in context**). For example, when you are cooking, talk about weight, measurements and time. When you are shopping, talk to your children about prices, money and change. If you require further guidance, please speak to one of the Year 6 team.



## PE



Your child will need to wear a full PE kit on **Fridays** (white t-shirt, navy/black shorts and trainers/plimsolls). In case of outdoor activities, this should include a pair of navy/black tracksuit bottoms. Earrings should not be worn in school, however, if children are wearing earrings they will be asked to use tape to cover them for the lesson.

Please ensure that each piece of their kit is labelled with their name clearly.

## Other Subjects

<b>Science</b>	Electricity and Classification
<b>I.C.T.</b>	Blogging, Text Adventures, Networks, Celebrate Safer Internet Day
<b>Religious Education</b>	Faith through the Arts
<b>Art &amp; Design</b>	Environmental Art Inuit Artists
<b>Humanities</b>	Ancient China; Investigating Our World
<b>P.S.H.E.</b>	Going For Goals; Good To Be Me; RSE—puberty; Mental Health & Well-being
<b>P.E.</b>	Outdoor Activities; volley ball and tennis. Dance.
<b>Music.</b>	Weekly Charanga lessons.

## Homework



The children should read at home every day, please ensure that you hear them read at least three times in the week and ask them questions to further their understanding. In addition to reading every day, the children are expected to complete both sides of their LCWC sheet.

Each Friday, there will be at least one piece of English and one piece of Maths homework. It will be expected to be returned by Tuesday morning. If it is not returned on Tuesday, your child will be given an opportunity to complete it during their lunch time. They will also be encouraged to meet with their class teacher on a Monday or Tuesday lunchtime, if there is any part of the homework they are finding difficult.



Thank you so much for your ongoing support.

The Year 6 Team,

Mrs Dilmothamud, Miss Sahota, Mrs Riley, Miss Conroy and Mr Davis.