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Y6 Year Newsletter - Summer 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a relaxing break and we welcome you back for this exciting and eventful term in Year 6. We are now in the final weeks of preparation before the SATs tests and busy strengthening our knowledge of mathematics, grammar and spelling. The timetable for the tests is below:

	Before morning break	After morning break
Monday 8th May	English Reading Test	
Tuesday 9th May	English Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling: Paper 1 short answer questions	English Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling: Paper 2 spelling
Wednesday 10th May	Mathematics: Paper 1 arithmetic	Mathematics: Paper 2 reasoning
Thursday 11th May	Mathematics: Paper 3 reasoning	

In order to help your child to achieve their best, could you please ensure they get a good night's sleep each night before the tests so that they come to school feeling well-rested, with a positive attitude and ready to do their best. All children will be provided with the equipment they need for the tests; should they wish to use their own equipment it must be in a clear pencil case.

Each morning of the tests, we will provide a pre-SATs breakfast for Year 6 pupils. We warmly invite the children to arrive in school from 8.15am to enjoy breakfast in a calm and relaxed environment before their tests in the morning.

If your child should happen to fall severely ill in the week of the SATs, could you please inform school immediately so that we are able to make any necessary provisions.

In literacy, the children will be exploring the topic of the Titanic writing in various styles. For example, they will start by writing descriptively as if they were a survivor, then look at writing in a non-fiction style. They will also be writing poems based on Lord Tennyson's 'Charge of the Light Brigade' and exploring suspense techniques in scary stories.

Our numeracy lessons this term will begin with revision of various topics and then after the SATs we will move on to various mathematics projects, including loop cards and bingo games.

Mr Willimott will continue to work with us in PE improving our skills and developing our knowledge of cricket and athletics.

The date for our end of year production has been confirmed as Tuesday 11th July. With the challenges we still face on our temporary site, the performance will take place at Bushey Meads School. More details about this exciting event will be made available shortly.

Lastly, Thursday 13th July is the transition day when pupils visit their schools for September. Year 6 pupils are not expected at Highwood unless their transition falls on a different date.

As always, please feel free to approach any of the Year 6 team if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
The Year 6 Team

Mr Morey, Mr Marshall, Mrs Kenny, Mrs Henderson, Mrs Patel and Mrs Shameem.

