Curriculum Letter

11th January

Dear Parents/ carers,

Welcome back to a new year. I hope you have had a lovely Christmas holiday and that the children have had a chance to recharge their batteries.

We have a busy term planned. Our new topic is ‘Fantastic Journeys’ which will be based on our class text, *The Nowhere Emporium* by Ross MacKenzie. This is a great story about a magical shop which can appear anywhere in the world. This will link nicely to our geography work this term where Year 6 will be looking at the human and physical features of different countries and developing their knowledge of continents and capital cities. This term, we will be continuing to develop literacy and numeracy skills and will keep learning the Y6 spellings and grammar scheme of work. Children will practice SATs questions so that they are used to the style and timings of questions ready for SATs week which takes place on the week of **13th May**. The topic overview overleaf gives more detail on our learning in other subjects this term. We have two student teachers, Miss Dickson and Miss Read, with us until the end of January who will be supporting the class and teaching some lessons. The children are already enjoying the exciting lessons that they have planned.

Homework will continue as normal this term. Children will receive numeracy, literacy and spellings homework each week. This will be given out each Thursday and will be due in every Wednesday. Please encourage your children to be responsible with bringing their homework book in on time. It is very important that children read each night (even fluent readers) and practise their Y56 curriculum spellings.

Please ensure your child has their complete PE kit in school. This should include warm clothes at this time of year as they will be going outside every Thursday in most weathers.

Year Six will be working together this term to collect Secret Student points. A child is picked at random at the beginning of the day and secretly monitored throughout the day to see if they are following the class rules and working hard. The target this term is 80% - Good Luck!

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding your child’s learning.

Yours sincerely

Miss O’Connor