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Dear parents/carers,

I hope you have had a great half term!

Below are the updates for the coming term (Autumn term 2) for year 6.

Staffing

Mrs Allmond will continue to be the full time teacher in year 6. Wednesday afternoons will be covered by Mrs Tolley.

Mrs Paterson will be the full time support staff and Mrs Morris will be supporting for part of the week. Miss Ollenbuttell will work with different groups of children at different parts of the week.

Homework

The children have been amazing at completing their homework so far in year 6, thank you for your support with this. They will continue to receive spelling homework every Monday which is then due on the Friday of that week. Maths and English homework will still be alternated and set on a Wednesday and then due the following Wednesday. We are having a big times tables focus this term so expect to see lots of this! The children will also receive another termly homework this term which I will send details out for this week and will also post on Class Dojo.

Autumn Term 2

We will be continuing our Nations project, we hope you enjoyed hearing all about them at our outcome last term! Our big question for this project is still, what is a nation? However, this term we will be looking closely at Japan and the children will be making comparisons to their own nation with Japan. We will be moving away from the geography and history focus from term 1 and will be having a DT and art project focus.

Our outcome for this term is a little different to the usual outcomes and will be after school at 5pm until 5:30pm (the children will go home and then come back to school for 5pm) on Monday 18th December. We will be doing a walk around the village showcasing our DT and art projects and singing Christmas carols. It would be lovely if you could join us.

In English, the children will be moving away from the grammar lessons and now starting our Talk for Writing storytelling sequence. We will be looking at both a fiction and nonfiction genre; a traditional/legend story and then an explanation text. As well as creating some traditional Kamishibai which is Japanese paper theatre. All of the grammar objectives that they learnt in term 1 will then be

incorporated into their independent writing in this term. In maths, we will continue to work on the four operations and then move on to fractions later in the term.

In our PSHE lessons this term, the children will be exploring the topic 'celebrating difference'. All of our PSHE lessons are always taught at an age appropriate level, if you have any questions regarding anything that we cover in PSHE please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sports

PE will continue to be on Wednesday, all children must come to school in their PE kit ready for their PE lesson in the afternoon. This term, we will be doing our PE lessons indoors so children can wear their indoor kit. Please bear in mind that they will be going outside in their kit during the school day (break and lunchtimes) so shorts may not be the best idea! PE will start the first week back so the first PE lesson will be on 01/11/23.

Boosters

Boosters will continue this term and the children will be changing at some point as the term progresses. I will email those parents with children involved once these groups have been decided. If your child was in a booster in term 1, this will continue on the same day with the same adult until you hear otherwise. They will start from the first day back (30/10/23).

Thank you so much for all of your support in year 6 so far, I have honestly enjoyed teaching your children so much. They are a brilliant bunch who work so hard and we had the most amazing time in Yenworthy. I really look forward to another great term with them.

As always, you know where I am if you have any questions or queries.

Best wishes,

Mrs Allmond and the Year 6 team