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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and new year. This letter aims to provide some useful information about the current term.

Curriculum Overview

- **Topic (English, Geography, History, ICT, Art, Design Technology, Music, Science):** Blood Heart
- **Science:** Marvellous Mixtures
- **RE:** Hinduism
- **PE:** Gymnastics/dance- coach Gemma from MSP will be teaching one of these sessions.

Homework

This year is going to be very busy for the children, as they prepare for their SATs tests and transition to secondary school. Regular maths, spelling and topic-based homework will be set. Please keep up to date with the children's homework diaries. They will be set maths homework each week. For topic, the children have a choice of homework (listed in their homework diaries). They must produce at least one piece each fortnight and will have the chance to show it at celebration assembly, on a Friday.

Reading at home is essential and comments in the reading diary relating to this are very useful. It is also important that the children become secure in their times table knowledge up to their 12 times table. Regular practise in both reading and times tables at home is crucial. TT Rockstars is a fantastic way for the children to learn their times tables- each child has a login and they can play this on ipads and laptops at home.

Water Bottles

Please ensure that your children come to school with a water bottle. As they often spend long periods of time focussing in lessons, it is vital that they remain hydrated.

Labelling

Please ensure that all belongings are clearly labelled with your child's full name on them, so that they can be easily returned.

Behaviour Policy

Evergreen will continue to be used as a reward system. The treat will run every fortnight and all children who have earned their Evergreen will take part.

As well as the Evergreen system, children are able to earn team points, by displaying any positive behaviours in/around school.



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Children who stand out as displaying behaviours which are 'above and beyond' school expectations will also be rewarded with certificates in Friday celebration assemblies.

The school behaviour ladder will be followed, so that sanctions are clear and consistent for every child. A child will move down the ladder for each behaviour they display that is not in line with the school policy:

1. Reminder of the correct behaviour.
2. Warning.
3. Time out/fill in a reflection form and take to Mrs Woolley.
4. Lose Evergreen and phone home.

More serious behaviours, such as swearing/violence will be dealt with at the teacher's discretion and may result in immediate loss of Evergreen/phone calls home.

Facebook

We now have a Facebook page set up, where notices and information will be shared. Please like and follow our page!

Twitter

Please follow our class on Twitter. We will use this in an effort to keep you more informed about what we are doing and share some of the fantastic things that happen in school. If you would like to follow our class on Twitter, our username is @Year6WLea. You will need to set up a Twitter account if you do not already have one.

In line with the schools safeguarding guidelines and to ensure that this facility is run safely, we have put in place security settings, so that we can only be followed by people we approve- this will not be available to the general public, only people we know have a link to the school. It is also requested that this should be for use by adults only, not for pupils to post comments.

We value the role that parents/carers play in education and hope that by working in partnership with you, we will be able to fully support your child's learning and help them to achieve their full potential. Should you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

Miss F Wallwork

