



St Mark's CE Primary School

'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'

Year 6 Newsletter Spring 1

This half term the children will be focusing on the learning challenge question, "Why was Sir Edmund Hillary's conquest of Everest such an achievement?" The topic will focus on the mountains of the world and the human geography associated with the mountain environment.

English



Our work in English lessons this term centres on the text 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

This is a text that we are sure will capture the children's imagination. All our writing activities will be based on the text, giving the children the opportunity to write a variety of different genres.

Spelling is continuing to be a key priority this half term with the children all taking part in Read Write Inc Spelling sessions. Please help your child to practise any spellings that they are given so that they will continue to improve.

Maths

Our mathematics this term will develop the children's understanding of ratio and proportion and algebra. We will also focus on area, perimeter and volume.

Please continue to support your child by practising their times tables and division facts with them each day.



SATs



Over the next term, the children will begin their preparation for their SATs. They may receive additional homework and may want to start doing some revision for these tests at home.

Information will be available for parents later in the term.

Reading

*To help the children to become 'Star Readers,' we ask them to read at home each night to an adult. We expect that the children should be reading a **minimum of five times per week**; ideally more.*

Once they have read to you, please ensure you fill in their reading diary.

Thank you.

PE

For PE this half term, Year 6 will be continuing with swimming every Wednesday morning. Please make sure your child has:

- *Swimming cap and towel (all children)*
- *Swimming costume (girls)*
- *Swimming trunks not baggy Bermuda shorts (boys)*