



# Davington Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We hope that you have had a relaxing break during the Easter period. Year 6 have settled well into term 5. We will be covering the following as part of our learning in the autumn terms:

## Topics

In English we will be centering our work around Fiction books with a focus on 'The War with Troy.' The children will be completing creative writing based on this story. We will also look at creating story books to share with younger members of the school. Areas of focus in grammar and punctuation include: understand and using relative and subordinate clauses, expanded noun phrases, the subjunctive form using punctuation effectively including hyphens, colons and semicolons and using grammatical terminology such as subordinating and co-ordinating conjunctions.

During our Mathematics sessions, we will be revisiting lots of the topics that we have covered throughout the year, including the four rules of calculation in relation to fractions, the relationship between decimals, percentages and fractions and number and place value. We will also be furthering our knowledge of data handling, algebra, ratio and proportion to the children. Parents can help to support their children by asking them questions involving multiplication and division and getting the children to carry out 'real life mathematics' e.g. weighing out ingredients. Regular practice of all times tables is essential.

In Science we are continuing our topic on 'Circulation' during term 5 and then studying 'Living things and their habitats' in depth in term 5 looking at classification of plants and animals and the Scientist Carl Linnaeus. Our History focus this term is Ancient Greece, including day to day life and their beliefs.

## PE

During the term, the children will be learning skills through a range of sports including Danish Long Ball, basketball and athletics, whilst indoor PE will be focusing on Dance where the children will be learning and choreographing a piece themed on the war with Troy.

Your child will have an outdoor Games lesson and a PE/Hall session each week this term. **PE will be on Monday and Thursday afternoons for both classes. PE kit should stay in school all term as there are occasions when our PE time has to be moved to a different day.**

Please ensure children with shoulder length hair or longer have their hair tied back. If your child has pierced ears, their earrings will need to be removed in this session. Please ensure your child's PE kit is in a suitable bag and labelled clearly with their full name and class.

During Term 6 we will also be rehearsing and performing our end of year show. Children will be bringing home scripts to learn lines and there may be some costume items that we need your help in providing. Any support you can give at home with this would be greatly appreciated.

## Volunteers

We would love you to come and help during the year. If you would like to help in school, maybe hearing children read or escorting the children on a trip, then please let us know. You will need to be police checked before this can commence. Please contact the office who will give you the necessary information.



## Homework

During the course of each week the children will be expected to complete their homework. The best work usually comes from children who complete the work as soon as possible after it has been set. Please encourage your child to look at it the day they receive it, so if they are unsure they can ask for help the following day.

**Daily reading** (10 minutes, at least three days a week.)

To support your child in reading you can listen to them read or ask them questions about their book to help them with their understanding of what they have read. This could also include a particular focus on vocabulary and checking their understanding of these words.

**Learn weekly spellings** (New spelling words will be brought home every Monday for a test on Friday)

Your child will have 10 spellings a week that they will practice daily at school. However, further parental support with spelling words out loud or written on paper will be beneficial to your child.

**English sheet** (Every Wednesday, hand in by Monday)

The worksheet will be either on grammar, spelling or comprehension. Please spend up to 20 minutes on the task. If your child is unable to complete it within 20 minutes please sign to say they spent the time on it.

**Mathematics sheet** (Every Wednesday, hand in by the following Monday.)

The worksheet will be further reinforcement of mathematics topics covered during the week. Please spend up to 20 minutes on the task. If your child is unable to complete within the time, please sign that they have attempted their work, but were unable to complete it.

**Termly topic project**

Every term your child will receive a separate information sheet about a mini project to be completed at home. This will normally be a piece of research and your child will have a choice on how to present what they have found out. Please note that Faversham Library have free internet access and will help your child to find things out.

We hope the above information will enable you to support your child's learning. We look forward to hard working and enjoyable summer terms. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Halson, Mrs Manning Press and Mrs Cunningham  
(Year 6 Class Teachers)