ST JAMES' Church of England ACADEMY

SPRING TERM: 1

CLASS 6MJ

WELCOME BACK TO YEAR 6.
THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM.

FROZEN KINGDOMS

Maths

Our main areas of study will be;

- Decimals
- Percentages
- Algebra

Your child will also be using their times tables and other mathematical knowledge to further develop their skills in problem solving and reasoning.

Literacy

Our main areas of study will be:
- Fictional writing
- Newspaper Writing
- Reading and Writing through our History and Geography learning

Also during literacy your child will be focusing on sentence structure, punctuation, spelling and handwriting.

In guided reading we will continue using the text 'Freedom' by Catherine Johnson.

Geography

Our geography unit for the Spring term is 'Frozen Kingdoms' where we will be looking at the differences between the arctic and the antarctic. We will be looking at the way in which time-zones affect these places and looking at the physical features of the polar regions, At the end of this unit, the children will be creating a detailed report which includes the details of all of their findings.

Science

In Science we will be learning about Electricity. During this unit, the children will learn about the symbols used for electrical components and will create the circuits that they have designed. We will, wherever possible, participate in practical science lessons.

Art/DT

Our Art and DT lessons will relate to our learning about the Frozen World. We will be looking into the styles of famous artists and attempting to adopt their artistic styles - looking at Ocean Art in particular. We will also look at 'Bridge Building' in our D&T lessons towards the end of the term.

R.E.

In R.E. we will be exploring what it means to be a Jewish person, following God. The children will also read and investigate Bible passages within our RE lessons and then share these with the rest of school during collective worship.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be looking at the topic: 'Dreams and Goals' where we will look into setting personal goals for ourselves, creating steps to success for these goals and we will also be learning how we can celebrate our success.

Spellings/Times Tables

Spellings will be set on a Monday. A short test will be carried out the following Friday. The children will be given times tables tests throughout the week.

PE

Our PE lessons will take place on a Thursday afternoon. All children look very smart in their PE kit of plain red shorts, plain white t-shirt and trainers. As the weather is still likely to be poor, please also ensure your child brings their full outdoor kit (plain black joggers and black sweatshirt) to school with them. Thank you.

Home Reading

Children will be given their reading books to take home daily. They should be encouraged to read a few pages every night and need to bring their reading record back to school each day. Please discuss with your child what they have read before signing their reading record book.

Finally...

If you have any questions or concerns please email me at m.jowett@stj.hslt.academy or telephone the school office on 825091. Thank you.