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Dear Year 6 families,

WELCOME BACK! It's so lovely to see all the children back in school for what will hopefully be a lovely, sunny term! This half term, our learning journey is '**Why is fair trade fair?**' This is a learning journey with a geography focus, encouraging children to think on a global and personal scale. You can see what we are learning across the curriculum on our learning journey grid.

The following all remain the same:

- Homework will continue to be set on Mondays to be completed and brought back the following Monday to be marked.
- Please ensure that your child continues to read to you, or talk to you about the books they are reading, so that they can continue to collect their reading miles. Please remember that they may complete Accelerated Reader quizzes at home as well as at school, and we are on the lookout for more Word Millionaires!
- We still encourage Year 6 children to practise their times tables, using TTRS and other methods that work for them. The maths curriculum in Year 6 certainly shows them how vital this knowledge is!
- Our PE days continue to be Tuesdays and Fridays; please ensure kits are in school all week as this could be subject to change. **As the weather (hopefully!) warms up, please ensure your child has a clean water bottle each day.**

In addition to our regular PE lessons, all Year 6 pupils will be taking part in yoga sessions with a specialist teacher. These will take place each Thursday afternoon for six weeks, beginning 18th April.

SATs week information

From Monday 13th May the children will be sitting their SATs tests:

- Monday: spelling and grammar
- Tuesday: reading
- Wednesday: arithmetic and maths reasoning
- Thursday: maths reasoning

All tests will take place during the morning. The most important thing to remember is that the children need to feel that they have tried their best. We can all work together to ensure that they remain positive and not feel too pressured during this period of time. **We invite all Year 6 parents to a SATs information meeting on Monday 22nd April at 3.30pm in Buzzard Class.**

If you have any further questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you, as always, for all your support.

Year 6 Team

Mr Rock, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Hodgson and Mrs Scarborough