

Plumcroft Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Autumn Term 2018. We hope you have all had a restful break; we are all looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Year 6 is a very important year for your child therefore it is essential that the children are present in school and on time, as we begin teaching immediately at the start of the day. Gates are open from 8.40 and the children come into class by themselves.

In **Literacy** this term we will be learning about various genres of writing including: persuasive writing, poetry, instructions, narratives, older literature and stories from other cultures. We will also be teaching from novels entitled 'Varjak Paw' by author S.F. Said and 'Once' by Maurice Gleitzman, which will also feed into some cross-curricular work. There will be trips and activities linked to these texts; watch this space for more information! Participation will be dependent on our high standards of good behaviour and positive attitude at all times. Copies of letters will be displayed on the school website www.plumcroftprimary.co.uk. We ask that the children practise spellings and read for 30 minutes daily.

In **Maths** we will be having skill review sessions which will address individual children's targets. We will be revising mental and written calculation methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, in addition to problem solving in real life contexts. Please ensure your child continues to regularly practise their times tables, and how these link to division. Every child has a Mathletics and Spellodrome username and login. These should be used daily.

In **Science**, our first topics will be linked to the human body, how plants and animals adapt to living in their environments and classifying organisms. Please encourage your child to read around these subjects at home.

Our **Topic** work starts with 'The Holiday Show' which focuses travel and tourism and how it affects countries differently. Our second topic for after half term is 'Time Tunnel', in which we explore Britain and Europe from 1914 - 1945.

6B have **PE** on Mondays, and 6M and 6JB on Thursdays. PE kits are available from the school office.

If you have any other questions or concerns about your child's education, please don't hesitate to make an appointment to see us.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Bell, Mrs Burton, Miss Morgan and Mr Mulligan