

LEARNING @ ORSETT THROUGH SKILLS



Wednesday 21st February 2018

Dear Parents,

Here we go again – another short half term packed to the gills. The children did well in the recent assessments and we hope that they are feeling confident about their progress in Year 6 as we start the second half of the year. Now is the time to knuckle down and make the most of it in order to make themselves, and us, proud.

The Year 6 LOTs theme this term will be 'People Who Inspire Us'.

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

<i>Scientific Enquiry</i>	Variation, adaptation and evolution
<i>ICT</i>	Complete Coding module. Design and make 'wearable technology' and an advert to present it
<i>Geography</i>	Grid references and time zones Researching influential people and where they lived
<i>History</i>	Learning about a variety of people from the past who have inspired or influenced our lives.
<i>Art</i>	Learning about artists from the past. Creating our own artwork, using approaches and techniques of famous artists.
<i>Design and Technology</i>	Cooking using ratios
<i>French</i>	Family members, occupations and hobbies. Using a dictionary.
<i>PSHE & Citizenship</i>	Feelings and emotions Valuing differences
<i>RE</i>	Life after death. Salvation

The children have had a say in this theme and we will aim to combine it with other areas of the curriculum which need to be covered over the next few months. We are hoping that this will 'inspire' them to do their own research for homework and complete a number of independent activities.

Homework: As you know here at Orsett we always encourage our children to continue their learning outside of school. We do expect that all children will read daily and will learn the relevant spellings for their year group. Spellings are important on the run up to the SATs and it would be helpful to recap these at home. Any areas of mathematical calculations that the children are not fluent in could also be practised. We will also be working with the children over the coming week to agree their Extended Homework expectations and these will be sent out to you on **Friday, 23rd February** so that you are aware of the areas that your child will be working towards at home and also the agreed deadlines.

We would like to thank you all for your support with your children's learning - it really does make a difference. Please let us know if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Richardson
Class Teacher