

LEARNING @ ORSETT THROUGH SKILLS



Wednesday 26th February 2020

Dear Parents,

Here we go again – another short half term packed to the gills. We hope that the children 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, very proud.

The Year 6 LOTs theme this term will be '**Journey through the Decades**'. In this music focus theme, we will be learning about some of the fascinating events that happened in the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s.

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

SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL UNDERSTANDING	Scientific Investigations linking to Light
ICT	Programming
HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL UNDERSTANDING	Journey through the Decades – 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s.
UNDERSTANDING THE ARTS	Ted Holloway inspired art using chalk and charcoal Inspired by Barbie and Ken, the children will be designing the very own board game Fashion through the decades
UNDERSTANDING PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH AND WELLBEING	Gymnastics/Games Feelings and Emotions Valuing difference
RE/CHRISTIAN VALUE	Salvation / Respect

Every child will experience a variety of different ways of learning including reading, writing, mathematics, problem solving, illustrating, working independently and working collaboratively and their progress towards the NC Skills will be continually assessed again in a variety of ways. Teaching it this way, will not only help the children see the relevance of the learning, actively enjoy it but also inspire them achieve higher standards in their work.

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 spelling and time tables for the 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 using My Maths. The Extended Homework expectations will be sent out to you on **Friday 28th February** so that you are aware of the areas that your child will be working towards at home and also the agreed deadlines.*

Other Info:

- Our PE sessions will be on Monday and Friday. Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for outside sessions. **If they wear trainers for PE they must be non-marking and black, and they can only be worn if the children change into them for PE.**

If anyone is willing to share their experience of growing up or experiencing any of the decades with a class of very inquisitive children, please let me know as soon as possible, as the more information and support that your child has, the more successful their learning will be.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs L Olajide
Class Teacher