

HARMONDSWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

LONDON BOROUGH OF HILLINGDON

Headteacher: Mrs E Dowding



YEAR 6's AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

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CREATIVE CURRICULUM

HOMEWORK

- Literacy & Numeracy is given out on Tuesday and should be handed in the following Monday.
- Spelling: A weekly spelling test will take place every Tuesday and new spellings will be given out on the same day.

Welcome to the start of a new academic year and the first term for your child in year 6. Please find overleaf a topic grid for your perusal which shows the topics that we will be covering in each subject. This will enable you to support your child at home with the work they are doing at school.

Creative Curriculum Topic: World War II—The Bouncing Bomb

Our History topic this term is Local British History.

We will be looking at The Bouncing Bomb which was developed by Barnes Wallis during World War II. He had a research laboratory based in Harmondsworth.

Much of our work this academic year will be topic-based with cross-curricular links to a specific subject area. This gives us the opportunity to plan topics of interest to the children as well as encouraging their interests to lead to further avenues of discovery and learning.



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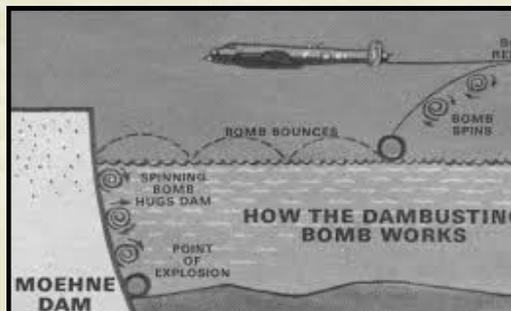
PE will take place on Tuesday and Thursdays. Please ensure that your child has an appropriate PE kit in school on those days (black shorts or black tracksuit bottoms, burgundy school t-shirt, plimsolls or trainers).

MISCELLANEOUS

Please ensure your child has a pencil and **blue handwriting pen** (not a Biro) to be kept in school for use during lessons.

As a school, we use a huge number of Pritt sticks and it is not possible to provide children with one each. This can cause a lot of waiting around when children need to stick in work. It would be beneficial to both the school and your child if they were able to bring in a labelled Pritt stick of their own please.

Thank you



Barnes Wallis

NUMERACY: During this term the children will continue to work on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, especially in the context of problem solving and reasoning. We will also be focussing on mental arithmetic skills and each child will have an individual Mental Maths target, which is worked on weekly.

LITERACY: The children will be reading and writing stories in different genres, auto/biographies, poems and news articles. They will be focussing on writing using complex sentences, conjunctions and word order. They will also be trying to improve the quality of their writing by using a range of powerful vocabulary (WOW! words). Please ensure your child is **reading** for a sustained period of 10-20 minutes everyday. This is to build up reading stamina for the end of KS2 Statutory Reading Test.

Finally, if there is anything concerning you, regardless how trivial you may feel it is, please do not hesitate to come in and discuss it with me. I am really looking forward to working with the children again this year and look forward to hearing of their summer break. Kind regards, Mrs Read