



Newsletter

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2016/17

24th February 2017

LETTER FROM THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCHOOL STANDARDS

We are very pleased to share with you this letter from Nick Gibbs, Minister of State for School Standards, commending the school on the progress the children make. It is our vision at Henry Fawcett that with the right opportunities and the best education possible every child can succeed and fulfil their potential. Our committed staff team work very hard to ensure all pupils have the best possible future.



Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP
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Dear Mrs Eckford,

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils for the very high level of progress pupils in your school are making.

Your school's results, as published on 15 December, show that your school is amongst the top 3% of schools in England in terms of the progress your pupils make between key stage 1 and the end of key stage 2 in English reading, writing and mathematics.

We want to ensure that every child has the necessary fluency in reading, writing and mathematics to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this.

Thank you for your hard work and professionalism in producing such high standards and congratulations again to you and your staff for all you have achieved.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Gibb MP

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Year 6

Term 4 2016/17

Work for this term

Numeracy

We are covering the following areas: Counting & understanding number; area and volume of shapes; basic algebra, data analysis

Literacy

This half term we will be reading 'The Other Side of Truth'. We will be writing using lots of different genres but our main focus will be on switching between formal and informal language.

Reading Comprehension

For reading comprehension we will be focussing on the use of inference to answer questions, and 'Point, Evidence, Explain' sentence starters to help us increase our scores on 2 and 3 mark questions in the SATs. Please ask you children about this.

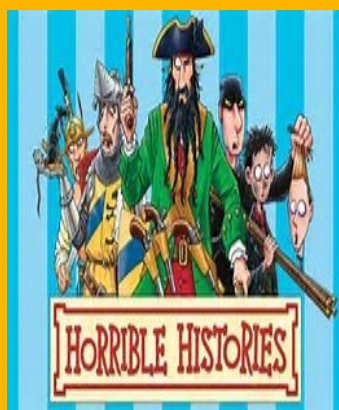
How you can help your child

With the SATs getting closer, it is vital that Year 6 children continue to take responsibility for their own revision schedule. We have now provided them with a range of study guides and have advised them to spend at least 30 minutes each night looking at one of these. When the children have handed in completed books, we have plenty more for them to work through.

Spelloidrome and Mathletics are great revision aids and we have introduced the children to the excellent revision site— www.mathsisfun.com

Please make sure your child is aware of the importance of their SATs and that now is the time to be working hard to prepare for them. They should be doing a minimum of 30-40 minutes revision every night if they want to succeed.

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World Book Week will take place on Thursday 2nd March. Year 6 will have as their focus the Horrible Histories books. Children may come to school on this day in historical costume. Suggestions include a Viking, Roman, Egyptian or maybe a Tudor lord or Victorian soldier.



Thursday 2nd March is not only World Book Day but also another Key Stage 2 Film Club Night. This time we will be showing Whale Rider, a beautiful film from New Zealand that we are sure the children will love.

PGL

A quick reminder that the last instalment of PGL payment is due at the start of April. After we were lucky enough to get a grant reducing the cost, the total amount required is now £159. There are still a few places available if anybody has decided they would like to add their names to those going. A meeting about the residential will be held after the SATs have been completed.

Reminders

Trainers, jewellery and hoodies must not be worn. Correct PE uniform must be worn for PE lessons. This includes wearing dark tracksuit bottoms or leggings. Children need to bring their PE kit into school with them the Monday of every week and leave it in school until Friday. Rain jackets must also be bought into school everyday.

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