

In the zone – Term 3 – Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

In **English**, we will use I was there – Titanic! as our text. Children will write an alternative ending to the story relating to the ice strike. They will write a chronological report about the Titanic and look at Haiku poetry.

In **Reading** – We continue our whole class reading lessons, working together to have high-quality conversations and model answers. The texts will vary across the term, including fiction, non-fiction and poetry.

In **Maths**, we are focusing on ratio, algebra and decimals. We will be continuing our weekly arithmetic practice on a Friday, particularly timing and suitable strategies. Areas of maths that crop up as an issue will be brought into maths meetings and revision sessions.

Homework:

Maths: Children are required to complete their Doodle Maths homework (Staying in the green zone, achieved by collecting their weekly target stars). They are also expected to complete their TT Rockstars session (15 mins per week) OR Doodle Tables (Target stars). This is monitored in school and those not completing it will be expected to do so on a Friday.

Reading: Children are required to read with an adult 4 times a week at home and this should be recorded in their planner. This is checked on Mondays.

Spellings: Children are required to complete their weekly spellings (given each Friday) – 3 different ways, including 1 of these being the words written in context. This is checked on Fridays.

PE days will continue to be on a **Thursday and Friday**. Children should come to school on these days in the PE kit. A reminder that in cold weather, dark joggers and a dark hoody/sweater is fine.

We will be launching our topic with a visit from the **Explorer Dome**, where children will have a workshop based on their geography learning coming up in the term! This is always a brilliant workshop and children get so much from it! We are excited to welcome them back.

In this geography-driven theme, we will look at ecosystems and biomes, looking at the geographical trends in different biomes across the world and how the eco-systems are connected to different biomes.

In **Science**, we will look at Earth, Space and forces.

All other foundation subject themes for the term can be found on our school website [here](#)

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas,

Mrs Holmes