

**A note from Miss Bailey**

Happy New Year to you all; I hope you have had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed a well-deserved break. I am very much looking forward to helping prepare the children for their SATs in May. It is vital that your child attends school every day – all absences have a significant effect on your child's attainment. Thank you for your support.

**Year 6, Class 11  
Newsletter**

**Important Reminders:**

Swimming for Year 6 children will begin this half term. This will take place on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure your child brings appropriate swimwear, a towel and a swimming hat each week. Every year 6 child is expected to be able to swim 25m by the end of primary school; therefore it is vital they attend every swimming lesson.

**This term in class we are learning about...**

Our topic for this half term is 'Frozen Kingdom'. In art the children will be creating a piece of Inuit inspired block art and will produce Northern Lights inspired paintings. In D&T they will construct an igloo using boxes of different sizes. In History, a timeline will be created detailing the key polar explorations and children will research conditions on the Titanic, learning about how it sank. In Geography, children will be asked to locate the poles, compare the Arctic and Antarctic, learn about different types of ice and find out more about the Inuit people and where they live. The children will create their own travel brochure to show what people could experience if they were to visit the Polar Regions. They will use computers to present and summarise their learning. In Science, children will find out about how animals have adapted to live in the Polar Region. They will construct food chains and research information on the biodiversity of the Arctic or Antarctic Ocean.

**Homework:**

The children are enjoying their online homework and are becoming familiar with the routines in place. Homework is set, for maths and spelling, every Wednesday and it is to be handed in on the following Wednesday. There are opportunities provided throughout the week for children to use school equipment to complete their homework if they are unable to do so at home. Please encourage your child to complete their homework on time as it supports their learning in the classroom. Thank you

**Educational Visits and assemblies this half term:**

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – Year 6 to begin their swimming lessons.**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – Class 9 Assembly**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019 – Class 8 Assembly**

