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## YEAR GROUP 6 SPRING TERM 2024 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful winter break. We look forward to a busy but exciting Spring Term. Here is what we will be covering this term:

Maths	During the term the children will be working on place value, mental calculation strategies, fractions, decimals, percentages, multiplication and division, shape, area and investigating factors, multiples and prime numbers. A great emphasis is placed on the children solving problems and using mathematical reasoning.
English	Throughout this term the children will be looking at a range of quality fiction and non-fiction texts. In their writing, they will be encouraged to use a vast array of punctuation and apply spelling and grammar rules. Children will take place in daily whole class guided reading sessions where they will discuss new vocabulary and be assessed in their comprehension and understanding. The children will have weekly spelling tests — it is important that you help your child learn their spellings every week.
History	In History the children will be learning about World War II and the rise of Hitler and the National Party. They will learn about how the Nazis controlled many aspects of life in Germany during this period, including roles of men and women and education.
Geography	In Geography the children will be learning about the physical and human geography of Australia. They will be studying physical landmarks, different climates and land use, industry and settlements.
Science	In Science the children will investigate electrical circuits. They will be creating circuits and this will link with our DT unit where they will create a circuit to power their toy boat. As well as this they will be learning about light and how we see.
Art	In Art the children are learning about Aboriginal art, linked to our geography unit on Australia.
DT	In DT the children will be designing an electrical toy boat. They will be designing their boat, creating it in groups and evaluating its effectiveness.
RE	The children will be learning about Christian and Buddhist beliefs. They will be learning about the symbols and actions that are important for those beliefs.
Computing	Children will be using a variety of software programmes. They will be learning how to use google sheets and create their own blogs.
PE	In the first half term the children in Year 6 class will be taking part in Dance and (AR) Augmented Reality lessons run by Bee Creative. In the second half term we will be doing football - invasion game skills.

<u>**PE**</u>- Year 6 are timetabled to do PE on a Wednesday. They should come to school wearing their PE kits. This should be plain black tracksuit bottoms (shorts in the Summer), a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. They will also need their Parkside School jumper.

<u>Uniform</u>- Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and footwear. Earrings should be studs and no jewellery should be worn unless faith related.







<u>Water</u>- It is important that children bring a bottle of water each day. Please make sure the bottle has your child's name on it.

<u>Home Learning</u>- Your child is expected to read daily at home. Please ensure that you listen to them read and sign their reading diary. Children will be set weekly spellings and times tables to learn and will be tested on a Friday. A choice of spelling activities will be in their homework books and children can earn points for completing activities. A choice of homework will be set half termly and children should strive to complete as many of the activities as they can, we look forward to viewing and celebrating their work.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me.

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Kind regards,

Mrs Parmar