HATFIELD PEVEREL

St. Andrew's Junior School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 6, your child's last year at this school - doesn't time fly? Considering the circumstances, they have settled into life as a Year 6 pupil brilliantly - we are so proud of them already!

This half term, our topic is focused on The Ancient Greeks. We will be learning about the birth of democracy, different city states, Greek pottery and more. The book we are reading is 'Who Let the Gods Out?' By Maz Evans: a hilarious tale of the Zodiac Council and mischievous Greek Gods!

Just before half term, we will be starting our epic World War One topic. The linked class novel will be 'War Horse' by Michael Morpurgo. This dramatic and emotive story makes a perfect background for all the history, art and writing that the children will produce.

<u>P.E.</u>

This half term, PE for both Year 6 classes will be on a <u>Thursday</u> at Hatfield Place and <u>Friday (using the Joe Wicks videos until we are back at St Andrew's)</u>. Children will need to come into school in their PE kit on these days with their school jumper on.

<u>Homework</u>

We are sending home CGP homework books in the next week or so. While we are at Hatfield Place, CGP homework will be set and due every $\underline{\text{Thursday}}$. This will allow your child to consolidate their learning. In the meantime, please continue Spelling Shed, TTRS and daily reading. All children need instant recall of multiplication and division facts up to 12 \times 12. This is an expected requirement by the end of Year 4. It is expected that your child reads 5 times a week.

Reading

Reading continues to be a high priority and the children will have opportunities to spend some time reading every day, either individually or in a group at school. Our focus will be on teaching higher order reading skills. Please take an interest in what your child is reading, listen to them, read and discuss books together and encourage silent reading; ensure your child reads a range of genres: poetry, non-fiction (information texts) and fiction.

If you need to contact us, please either phone the school office or email us at year6@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk.

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes

Miss Coughlan (Rowan) & Mrs Smith (Sycamore)