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Welcome to Year 6!

We are looking forward to a new and exciting year at Richardson Endowed Primary School.

Our learning this half term is based around the global theme ***Saving our Environment***.

We will be learning all about Mount Everest and environmental impact in our topic: 'How have explorers and tourists affected Everest?'

We will be reading our core text, 'The Last Bear' to lead our learning and to inspire our English and reading lessons. We will use these texts to support our atmospheric setting writing. We will also be exploring different texts about the environment, including the text, 'Climate Action', which will inspire our one-sided argument writing.

- In our **maths** lessons, our focus will be calculating using knowledge structures and exploring multiples of 1000. **Please continue to support your child at home by learning the multiplication and division facts for all tables up to 12 x 12.**
- In our **geography** lessons, we will be learning about the major mountains of the world and the UK, the different ways in which mountains have been formed and how different features of mountain ranges have been shaped over time. There will be a particular focus on Mount Everest and how the life of people around it has changed over time.
- In **science**, our unit will be 'Living Things & their Habitats' where we will be learning about habitats, classification of animals and plants, microorganisms and Carolus Linnaeus, an important scientist.
- In **computing**, we will be learning about internet communication and networks.
- During **RE**, we will be discussing the question, 'Is it better to express your beliefs in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?'.
- In **DT**, will we be learning about and making structures.
- In **PSHE**, we will be learning about relationships.
- In **music**, we will be learning about how music can bring us together.
- In **Physical Education**, we will be doing football and athletics on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**.

On PE days, please ensure that your child wears their PE uniform to school and keeps it on all day. Children can wear shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings with a school-coloured t-shirt and hoodie or school jumper if cold. Please remove earrings and tie back long hair. Thank you.

Homework

We will continue to set **weekly spellings** to support your child with what they are learning in class. Please continue to help and support your child with **3 reads at home per week and with times table fluency**. There will also be one piece of English homework and one piece of maths homework each week. This will usually be set on **SATs companion** on a **Thursday** and due back in on the following **Thursday**. Thank you for supporting your children at home.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us through the school office email.

Kind regards,

Miss Rawson