

STAPLEFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome to the Spring term. I hope you all had a good Christmas break.

Topic

Our first topic this year is *Titanic*. The proposed content of the lessons this half term can be found on the Spring 1 topic web.

Reading in Year 6

Reading is an important part of the school curriculum and at Stapleford we encourage as many opportunities to read and celebrate books, both at school and at home, as possible. Your child will be given the opportunity to take books home from the library or classroom and they may sometimes be given books or texts to take home and read. Every child has been given a reading record which provides an opportunity for yourselves or your child to record any books read at home. I will check these reading records every Wednesday. All KS2 children have a login to Rockerbox News, a non-fiction reading platform that can be used to enhance their reading experiences out of school. Please also encourage your children to read the articles on here regularly.

Homework

Children will initially continue to be given a 'Menu' of homework activities. This can also be found on the Pine Class Page of the school website. These activities cover a wide range of curriculum areas and the children are expected to complete an activity from each column to be handed in on a Wednesday. Homework books will be marked and returned the following day. This homework is to be completed alongside the activities set on Mathletics. As the half term progresses, we will begin to provide the children with some more specific Maths and English homework activities to complete each week. This is in preparation for their transition to secondary school, as well as the SATs in May.

PE and moat days

We will continue to have PE on a Wednesday and Thursday this half-term so please ensure your child comes to school in an appropriate P.E. kit on those days. As the moat is becoming muddier in the wet weather, please do send your child in with a change of shoes/wellies that can be worn in the moat.

As always, don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Best wishes,
Ellis Cooper

Key dates:

Friday 12 th January:	Year 6 class assembly
Thursday 8 th January:	Year 6 SATs and Grafham information evening for parents/carers (6pm)
Mon 12 th to Weds 14 th Feb:	Year 6 residential to Grafham Water
Mon 19 th to Fri 23 rd Feb:	Half term holiday