



# HORRINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## **Voyager Class Curriculum Newsletter**

We would like to welcome the children of Voyager Class back to school for the spring term 2019! We hope that you had a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

Our areas of study this year can be found on the attached Medium Term Plans, which can also be found on the classroom door and on our school website. We will be focusing on World War II in History.

Being a third of the way through the academic year, we continue to encourage all of our children to be increasingly independent and prepared everything that our school can offer. To this end, could you please ensure that your son/daughter has a fully equipped pencil case, which should include as a bare minimum: a pencil; pencil sharpener; rubber; short ruler; blue handwriting pen and a highlighter. Unfortunately, the increasingly popular 'frixion' pens are not permitted in school due to the chemical reaction that occurs in the presence of heat (the writing disappears!). If your child has a selection of these pens, please could we ask that they are used for writing at home and homework only as it would be a shame for a child to lose a term's work due to placing the book on a radiator or a sunny window. Children should also take their school reading/homework diary, reading book and spelling log home with them every day.

English homework will continue to be set on Thursdays and Maths on Thursday or Friday. Homework should then be handed in by the following week. Spellings and times tables are also given each week for the children to learn and both will be tested on Fridays. As a suggested guideline, homework should take 30 minutes to complete and we are more than happy for you to help your child with this when necessary. Please let us know if you have helped by writing a note on the work. If children are unsure of the task they can come and discuss it with us during the week. There is also a spare homework box in the back of the classroom should your child mislay a piece of work – the children know where this is!

As ever, we also encourage children to read independently and with their parents at least four times a week. All reading should record their reading in their reading diaries. As a reminder, please refer to the attached leaflets which we handed out at Parents evenings last term.

A separate letter has been sent out to Year 6 parents providing information about the Year 6 SATs tests in May.

If you need to speak with one of us or our SENCO, Mrs Nicola Devine, please don't hesitate to come in at the end of the day to arrange a convenient time.

We look forward to another fantastic term!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Pembleton, Mrs Williams, Mrs Rackham and Mrs Stephens