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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you and your families have had a relaxing, well-deserved Christmas holiday and that your children have come back ready for a fresh start in a fresh year!

During the Spring 1 term, we will have many focus areas in English and Maths. In Maths we will be focusing on new year 6 knowledge of ratio and algebra as well as recapping knowledge of decimals. In English, our writing (character description, balanced argument and persuasive writing) will be based on a fictional story called "Street Child" which is set in Victorian times.

Our new topic in Science, is part of Animals Including Humans, which in year 6 focusses on the circulatory system.

In our foundation subjects, we will be starting a number of new topics. We will be studying another History topic this half term, focusing on The Victorians, which will link to our new Design and Technology topic - designing and making moving fairground rides. We will also continue to play the clarinet with our specialist teacher Mr Roman!

The PE days for year 6 will stay the same: **6G - Thursday and Friday**, **6I - Wednesday and Thursday** and **6P - Monday and Wednesday**. Children need to ensure they have the right kit for these days. They will need: a white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers or plimsolls. For outdoor PE, the children may wear black tracksuit bottoms or leggings and may wear their school jumper over the top of their PE kit as we understand the weather could be cold. For indoor PE, we will be starting dance and outdoor PE sessions will be based on football skills.

In order to support your children, please continue to read with them at home and evidence this in their reading record at least three times a week. Please also help them complete their homework, which will be set on a Friday and due the following Friday. Also, please continue to bring your child to school on time in order to ensure they are receiving every minute of education on offer in the school day.

Many thanks,

Miss Van Haeften, Miss Insole and Miss O'Connor

