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Dear Parents,

We hope you had an enjoyable Easter holiday and that both you and your children are looking forward to an exciting summer term.

Topics

Our topics this term are both geography-based ones. First, we will be studying, “What is life like in the Alps?” learning about mountains and tourism. Then we move on to, “Why does population change?”, learning about global population distribution and migration.

In Term 6, Years 5 and 6 will be exploring an exciting science topic all about evolution and extinct animals. As part of this learning, we will be studying the history of the now extinct dodo and learning about the work of Charles Darwin.

To support this topic, we would like the children to carry out some simple research at home on the dodo. This will help them prepare for writing a non-chronological report at the end of term.

Here are some questions to guide your child’s research:

- What was the dodo?
- Where did it live?
- What did it eat?
- Why did it become extinct?
- When did it become extinct?
- What can we learn from the dodo today?

We encourage children to present their findings in notes, pictures, or simple fact files—whatever works best for them. This will help build their confidence and understanding before they begin their final piece of writing.

Thank you for your continued support at home. If you have any questions about this homework task, please feel free to get in touch.



PE Kits

PE days remain the same this term, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, but please ensure that your child has a full kit in school every day, especially as it is the summer term, and we often take advantage of good weather to have an extra PE session! If your child attends an after-school sports club and wears their PE kit home, please ensure that they return their kit to school the next day so that they have it for the PE lesson. We have very little spare P.E. kit to lend out, and our Year 6 children in particular need to start taking responsibility for having everything they need in school with them, in preparation for the expectations of secondary school.

SATS Week

Year 6 continued to have increased homework over the Easter holidays in preparation for the SATS. The homework has been excellent, and I can see the children have certainly given 100% - thank you! SATS Week begins on the 11th of May. To help your child do the best that they can in their tests please help them have an early night, a good breakfast and try to keep them as calm as possible. Year 5 will not be having assessments during the SATs week but will complete assessments later on in the term. Year 5 & 6 homework arrangements will remain the same as last term (after the SATs): Reading Records checked on a Monday, and maths and spelling homework handed in on a Monday and back out on a Wednesday.

We hope that you find this information helpful. Please feel free to pop in and talk to any of the Evenlode team if you have any concerns or queries. After school is always the best time as staff are very busy in the mornings preparing lessons and resources for the day. However, if you feel that the problem can't wait and it is important that we know first thing, please do come in and see us.

Yours sincerely,

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Evenlode Class teachers

