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Dear Parents/Carers of Class 6,

Welcome to another new school year. I really hope you all had a lovely summer break. I cannot believe it is September already; the summer holidays always go so quickly! However, I am glad to be back as I really am excited to be the Year 6 teacher and am looking forward to getting going with all the plans!

I know I sent a *very* long letter out before the end of the term but I just wanted to send another smaller one to welcome you all back, remind of you a few things and provide you with any other information I missed out!

We are incredibly lucky to have two fantastic TA's, who know the children so well, working alongside Year 6 this year: Mrs Killin and Mrs Thornton. Mrs Killin will be with us every morning and Mrs Thornton will be with us every afternoon.

As the previous letter mentioned, we are kicking off the year with our **topic** Stone Age through to Iron Age with our class novel being *Stig of the Dump*. Every Thursday morning Mrs Killin and Mrs Neil will be teaching the class. Mrs Killin will be teaching **science** this half term and her focus is on light and electricity and Mrs Neil will be teaching **French**.

PE this year will be on a Tuesday and a Friday, however, it would be great if your child has his/her kit in school on a daily basis, in case we decide to have the lesson on an alternate day. We will be going outside even in the cold, so please ensure your child has warmer gym kit when the weather turns.

As well as Rainbow Rewards, we also have our own reward system in Year 6. If your child behaves well, contributes during class discussions or accomplishes a good piece of work they will receive an emoji face. At the end of the week, if your child has received 5 emoji faces, their name gets put forward for the weekly draw where one name is picked out and gets the opportunity to choose a small prize.

Homework this year is set on Fridays and will be due on Tuesdays. This will include a maths' activity, as well as one more piece, which will either be an English or Topic themed task. These should take no more than half an hour per piece and I expect them in at the given times unless there is an understandable reason.

Spellings will be distributed on a Monday morning and tested on a Friday, they will be expected to write a sentence to accompany each of their spellings. As always, the children will also need to read to an adult as much as possible. If any of you have some spare time between 2:45-3:15pm on Wednesday- Friday, we would love and really appreciate some extra pairs of ears to listen to the children read. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your on going support with this.

We also wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of our school uniform policy, which is readily available via the school website. A few gentle reminders: children are expected to follow this policy and to ensure their uniform is labelled clearly. They are not to have bangles on their wrist or painted nails, and long hair is always to be worn up.

It is an absolute pleasure to have your child in my class this year, I feel very lucky to have been given the opportunity to teach some of your children twice. I am firm believer in keeping a strong, open line of communication between home and school so please feel free to come and have a chat with me or book an appointment whenever you feel necessary.

Kind regards,

Miss Thomas