

## YEAR 6 Summer NEWSLETTER 2024

Welcome back Year 6 and I hope you had a lovely Easter Break! During the Summer term we will keep working on our New Delaval characteristics – Resilience, Empathy, Self-Awareness, Positivity, Excellence, Communication and Teamwork. This term brings two exciting new topics, which the children will be studying – firstly, ‘The Arctic Circle’ will be our focus and after that, we will begin exploring ‘The Coast of Northumberland’.

In our ‘Arctic Circle’ topic, children will explore the following:

- How we locate exact position on our Earth using lines of longitude and latitude;
- Comparisons between the Arctic Circle and England;
- How does Svalbard compare with living in Blyth?
- How this environment is changing and the future impacts to our world.



In our Northumberland Coast topic, children will help direct our focus through their own lines of enquiry and interest.

One of our class texts this term will be ‘Shackleton’s Journey: a unique visual re-telling Ernest Shackleton’s landmark expedition crossing the Antarctic from one pole to the other. William Grill’s impeccably researched and informative illustrations celebrate the 100th anniversary since the historic exploration by Shackleton and his crew on Endurance.

After half term, we will be reading ‘Lambton Worm and Laidly Worm’ as part of our local theme during Summer 2.

### Other goings on in Year 6:

- NUF sessions and Social Action
- SATs week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May.
- High Borrans Residential: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June.
- Newcastle Eagles STEM workshop.
- Goblin Car Builds @ The Port of Blyth.
- Transition into Secondary support.
- Commando Joe Challenges.
- French (Languagenut), Music and Computing with Miss Steel.

Our science topics this term will be ‘Living Things and Their habitats’ and ‘Working Scientifically.’

**Organisation:** Year 6 need to make sure their reading book is in every day. Their diary will be checked on a Friday - there must be evidence of 3 signatures from parents/carers.

PE will still be on Mondays and Thursdays. Homework will be handed out on a Friday and expected in on a Wednesday. The consequence of not handing in is staying in to complete the homework at break. Consequences will be increasing for those who persistently do not hand in their homework. Extra Reading Plus/Rockstars is also encouraged.

Spellings will still be tested half termly, with a spelling bee at the end of the half term. A new list will go home at the start of each half term. **Follow all the action in Year 6 on Twitter: @NewDelPrimary**