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Dear Parent and Carers,

We can't believe that we are already in Term 2 in Primary 6! It has flown by, and we have been so impressed with the hard work that has been shown by our learners. We have a very exciting term coming up, with activities such as Rookie Rockstars and Christmas on the agenda! We can't wait to celebrate all of our achievements in Term 2!

### Primary 6 – Term 2

<b>We are learning:</b>			
<p><b>Literacy</b></p> <p>This term, we will continue to develop our writing through the use of our Talk for Writing programme, focusing on a 'Losing' story and writing a personal recount of a scary event! We can't wait to publish our writing and share these with you. We also have exciting reading activities planned to develop specific reading skills, with a focus on inference, using our reading books and non-fiction texts about our Space topic. We will continue to develop our spelling knowledge, focusing on new patterns every week, which will be consolidated in our weekly homework tasks!</p>	<p><b>Health and Wellbeing</b></p> <p>In PE we will be continuing to work on our fitness and teamwork skills. We will be focusing on ball games with Mrs Thom and will even be practising some Scottish Country Dancing nearer to Christmas time, in preparation for our Christmas Parties!</p>	<p><b>Numeracy and Mathematics</b></p> <p>We have been working really hard on our Numeracy so far in Primary 6, which has been great to see. This term we will continue to build on our recall of multiplication and division facts, applying these to multi-step word problems. We will also build on our knowledge of Fractions, Decimals and Percentages. In Maths, we will begin to look at different angles and symmetry. We will hope to incorporate some numeracy and maths into our topic learning, calculating distances and sizes of planets in space and creating beautiful symmetrical art in our RME lessons.</p>	
<p><b>Ethos and Wider Life of the School</b></p> <p>This term we are lucky enough to be visited by the 'Rookie Rockstars' as part of Anti-bullying Week. There will be more information to follow - this is shaping up to be a very fun week of important learning!</p> <p>We are also looking forward to finishing our latest block of Wider Curriculum! It has been great sharing all of the fun things we have been learning so far.</p>			<p><b>Opportunities for Wider Achievement</b></p> <p>We love hearing about the amazing things you are all achieving in and out of school. We will be finding opportunities to share our successes, both big and small, in class, so keep us up to date! ☺</p> <p>We will be running a number of Extra Curricular clubs after school, and lunchtime learning opportunities throughout the year.</p>
<p><b>Learning across the Curriculum</b></p> <p>This term, we are very excited to be learning all about Space. We have got lots of fun, exciting activities planned to help us to learn about our solar system and the history of space exploration. Learners will be using a variety of skills from across the curriculum to create a new planet and present their ideas to the rest of the class.</p>	<p><b>Discrete Subjects</b></p> <p>This term we will be continuing our French work, building on the vocabulary we have learned already. We will be using our Chromebooks to help us to build our digital skills, applying these within our learning.</p> <p>We will also be exploring Hinduism in RME, looking at how this is celebrated around the world and comparing it to Christianity.</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Key Dates</b></p>			
<p><b>8th &amp; 9th November</b> - Parents Consultations  <b>13th - 17th November</b> - Anti Bullying Week &amp; Book Week Scotland  <b>17th November</b> - Children in Need (dress down/pyjamas)  <b>22nd November</b> - Rookie Rockstars Concerts</p>		<p><b>3rd November &amp; 8th December</b> - Wider Curriculum  <b>22nd December</b> - Christmas Break Starts (Normal School finish)          Christmas Calendar to come!</p>	

