10th February 2020

Dear parents and carers,

As you will be aware, your children will be sitting their end of key stage tests (Y6 SATs) on the following dates:

**11th - 14th May 2020**

When we return after the February half term break, we will be entering our last half term before the tests. We will make some changes to our usual routine within school time so that your child is well prepared to the best of their ability for the tests. Some key information for you to be aware of:

**February half term home-learning**

We will be sending home a pack of past papers for reading, grammar and maths. Please complete these with your child over the half term break. There is no need to complete them under timed or silent conditions, it is intended as a learning opportunity and to become more familiar with what the tests are like. If your child can’t recall the information needed to answer a question, please encourage them to research the answers online and learn the facts. BBC Bitesize is a brilliant website for this. Please ensure that the test papers are returned to school on Tuesday 25th February.

**Weekly home learning**

In addition to their usual home-learning, children will need to complete additional home-learning to prepare for their tests, including learning 10 key facts each week and reading comprehensions. We will send further information about this after the half term break.

**Revision packs**

All Y6 children will require a revision pack, including published English and Maths pocket poster revision book. Children will need to take these packs home with them each night and bring them back into school every morning. **If you would like to buy a revision pack for your child, we are able to offer it at a subsidised cost of £5 per pack**. This will allow your child to jot their own notes in their books to support their learning.

We will be able to loan a pack to any children who do not wish to buy their own pack. Loaned packs must be returned to school after the tests in good condition, without any notes or marks in them so we can loan them to children needing them the following year. If you would like to see the books included before deciding to purchase them, do pop in after school. Revision packs can be paid for using Parent Pay.

**Parents’ Workshop**

We are holding a Parents and Carers’ Workshop on **Wednesday, 26th February at 2pm** regarding the Y6 SATs. Please see further information overleaf and a reply slip for your completion and return.

Thank you for all your support in your child’s education,

Miss Coverdale & Mrs Hancock

Y6 class teachers