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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have been working so hard in Year 6 over the last term. The children have made amazing progress and are putting so much effort into everything they do. In this topic letter I shall aim to outline our programme of study throughout the Spring Term. Our main topic for this term is 'Rivers', which we will be visiting in our Geography, English and Science lessons.

Firstly, here is a brief outline of our areas of study:

- Science: Light and Electricity- Understanding the processes by which we light up the world around us and how we see.
- **Geography**: Understanding the key features of a river and making a detailed study of the river Thames.
- **Design Technology**: To create a product combining different fabrics, whilst learning about the value of recycling and repairing clothes.
- Art: Using shading to create realistic 3D shapes and drawing from still life.
- **Religious Education**: What kind of king is Jesus? This topic will cover the impact Jesus had whilst alive and his impact since.
- **Computing**: Exploring Internet Safety and the importance of practising being safe and secure online. We will also use programming to create simple games.
- **Music**: Charanga units covering the glockenspiel! Plus some individual lessons with our resident musical expert, Mr Jefferson!
- **Physical Education**: Fitness, we will be exploring different way of staying fit and strong.

In addition, **maths** and **literacy** lessons will be taught **daily** (linked to our topic work when appropriate). We aim to hear the children read once a week, more with certain children. As well as other opportunities to practise reading skills through our work in class. When you hear your child read at home, please remember to write in the yellow homework diary. I ask that all children are heard by an adult **at least once a week** as this also can aid their overall understanding of a higher-level text.

Homework will continue to develop in complexity and regularity over the course of the year in order to help to prepare the children for life at secondary school. Occasionally longer pieces of work may be given, in these cases more than one week will be given for completion.

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| Spelling    | Friday | Friday    |
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| Maths/ SPAG | Friday | Wednesday |

The children will continue to have two P.E. lessons per week. They will work with the Aspire coaches on Tuesdays and do other sports with me on a Thursday.

If there any further queries I am very happy to answer these and can usually be found in the classroom at the end of the day.

With Best Wishes.

Mr Jones