Silver Birch Class

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Welcome back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term in Silver Birch Class! I hope you all had an enjoyable half term break. The children had a fantastic first term in Year 6. They thoroughly enjoyed our residential and have relished the additional responsibilities that come with being a Year 6 Longleaze Learner. Thank you for all the support that you have given your child to help them settle back into school life and routines.

This week, we have had a fun week back at school and the children particularly enjoyed the pantomime of Snow White yesterday! On Monday, we started our new topic called, 'Eco-Warriors'. This topic has a geography focus where we will be learning about natural resources and trade. Alongside this letter, you will find a knowledge organiser for our topic detailing the knowledge that children will be learning and some helpful links to support learning at home. I would really appreciate it if you could use this with your child, encouraging them to share with you what they know and what they can remember as the term progresses.

Finally, thank you to those of you who came to a parent/carer evening appointment last term. It was lovely to meet with you and have the opportunity to discuss your child's learning and development. If you were unable to attend, and would like to meet, then please do let me know. As always, please remember that my door is always open, and if you ever need to speak to me then the best time to catch me is straight after school. Alternatively, you can contact me via the class email address, and I will get back to you either by email or phone. If you ever have any queries or concerns about your child in class, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

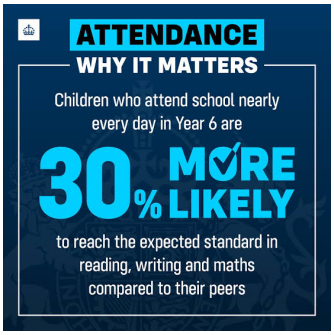
Mrs Tedcastle
Silver Birch Class Teacher

PE

This term, PE will continue to be on a **Wednesday** and **Friday**. During our Friday PE session, we will be working with a Swindon Town Football Club coach. On PE days, children need to wear their PE kit to school.

Attendance

Congratulations to those pupils who received a 'good attendance' certificate last term! Good attendance means your child is more likely to reach the expected standard in Year 6, preparing them for secondary school. This term, we are looking to celebrate children and families with **good attendance** and **improved attendance.**



Homework

Homework will continue to be set on a Friday and should be brought in the following Wednesday. Children will be given an activity in each of their workbooks: Maths, Reading, and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. Some of these activities can be challenging, so please remember that if your child needs any support with their home learning, encourage them to come and talk to myself or Mrs Richardson. We are always willing to help and work through questions together.

A look inside our classroom…

In science, we learnt about forces and used Newton meters to measure the force of gravity on a variety of objects.

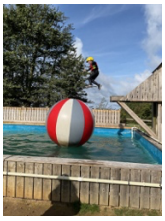






We had a fantastic time at Skern Adventure on our residential!





Key Dates – Term 2

Thursday 5th November	Pantomime – Snow White
Wednesday 11th November	School Photographs Remembrance Day – 2 minutes silence at 11am
Friday 13th November	Flu Vaccinations
Monday 16th November	Odd socks day – pupils can wear odd socks to school
Thursday 17th December	KS2 Christmas lunch KS2 Christmas party and Christmas jumpers
Friday 18th December	KS2 Christmas carol concert at St Bartholomew's Church (am) End of Term 2 at 3:10pm