



# Thomas Bullock CE Primary Academy

## Summer Term 2 Newsletter



### North America Class Year 6



#### Let our light shine!

The final half term of Year 6!

We all know this is not how it was supposed to end, but no matter what happens, we are still North America class, together or apart. I have been so pleased to hear stories of how your families have adapted to home learning, and how the children have kept learning and making progress even though we can't be together. Thank you for all you have done to support your child's learning.

As we start the new half term, keep sharing successes—whether from the work I'm setting or from anything else at all—and know that I am here for questions and concerns too.

Let's find lots of opportunities over our final seven weeks to let our lights shine!

#### This half term's learning

**All learning will be equally available for those at home and those in school.**

This half term the weeks will be structured a little differently, with four days of home learning on each subject, and then 'Philosophy Fridays'. Friday learning will be the same for the whole school, so a chance for collaborative learning if you have children in more than one year group. They are mostly a collection of thought-provoking videos and questions to think and talk about; there are also a variety of activities and open-ended ideas for further 'work'.

We will also (very excitingly) be producing a virtual, socially-distanced end of year production during this half term. It would be AMAZING if we can get contributions from every child—please look out for more information about how to be involved.

Our **English** learning this half term will be structured as follows:

Monday—grammar

Tuesday—reading

Wednesday—writing

We have a new class text, 'Wonder' by R J Palacio. I will again be making an audio version of the story, and all children will receive a copy of the text to use at home.

In **maths** this half term our topics are geometry, problem solving and data handling. I will be using lessons and activities from 'White Rose' (as last half term). The worksheets will all be printed for you to make this more straightforward.

Children are also expected to use RMEasimaths for half an hour **at least** 3 times per week (more if they wish!).

#### Other curriculum areas with learning objectives:

**Art** (Mondays and Thursdays): To continue work inspired by the artist William Morris: to record observations of plants and flowers, to develop a design for fabric and to explore how colour choice can change the way a pattern/design looks.

**PSHE**—transition from Year 6 to Year 7—sessions on a Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning. These sessions will cover topics such as celebrating achievements, reflecting on character, developing independence, friendships, resilience, target setting and looking to the future.

There will also still be activity suggestions for **Music**, **PE** and **French** on Tuesday afternoons.