## Year 6 Newsletter

Spring term 1-2023-24



We hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. It has been a very successful first term at Wingfield for everyone involved in year 6. The children have worked really hard since September, showing great levels of enthusiasm and resilience. We are looking forward to seeing what 2024 has to offer! Mr. Mitakos and Miss. Bradley.

## Whole School Project: Floella Benjamin

Our whole school focus is related to Floella Benjamin. Baroness Floella Benjamin is an actress, author, businesswoman, politician, writer of children's books, TV presenter and singer. She was born in Trinidad but moved to the United Kingdom when she was 10 years old. She has written a range of books that relate to her personal life journey as she moved from Trinidad to England. Her stories detail some of the challenges and obstacles that she encountered. The children will be completing a range of writing outcomes by reflecting on the challenges that Floella faced and how she overcame them. They will also learn about the inspiring stories related to the Windrush Generation.





### **Physical Education**

As part of our learning this term, we will be learning about invasion games including basketball. The children will focus on different parts of the game including passing, defending, and shooting. In addition to that, the children will be learning about the importance of footwork and how this is an essential element within the sport. The children will also develop their teamwork skills by learning about the importance of communication. 6DM and 6GB will both have their physical education lessons on Wednesday and can wear their kits for the duration of the school day.

#### **Uniform**

Please label all items of clothing with your child's name to enable us to return lost property to the correct child. Last term we had several missing items that we were unable to return due to names being washed off. Children should be wearing a school logo jumper. Please remember earrings are not permitted at school. Children wearing earrings to school will be asked to remove them.

## Isle Of Wight- a reminder

Thank you for confirming that you would like your child to take part in the Isle of Wight Residential Stay. The trip will be running from **Monday, 24th June-Friday, 28th June**. More information regarding the trip and payments will be sent out soon.

## Secondary school applications

Children will receive the outcome of their secondary school applications on 1st March. This means that the children will receive information regarding which schools they have been accepted to go to. Parents and children will then need to accept the offers by 15th March 2023. If you have any issues regarding the applications, please contact the office via phone or email or directly through the borough.

# Science topic- Animals including Humans.

The next topic will comprise of a range of topics:

- Describing how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants, and animals.
- Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

#### Returning books

Children are reminded that they need to return all books that belong to the school when they return from their Christmas break. All books have a Wingfield stamp, and this can be found on the front cover or one of the first pages of the book.

#### Value of the Month

This term, we will explore the values of resilience. We explore our values in depth through assemblies, PSHE lessons and across the wider curriculum. We will also be exploring the theme of honesty.

#### **Home Learning**

Your child will continue to receive weekly spellings and times tables challenges, alongside additional SATs based tasks (CGP books). These will be set on Friday and must be completed by the following Friday. Children are expected to read every day and parents/carers need to acknowledge this through a signature once a week. The journals are checked in school daily.