



# Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

"Let faith be your shield"

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Dear parents,

Welcome back to a new school year and to Year 6. We have had an excellent start to the term and we are very much looking forward to working with the class during what is an important and exciting year for them.

As we have started the new year, we have been talking about the various ways we learn and work together. Within these discussions we have developed the motto "Be your best, try your best", which is important for us all to remember over the coming months as children, staff and parents work together to enable the children to achieve their best. Of course, we have an ideal opportunity to "be our best and try our best" as we look forward to our residential at Lockerbie Manor, beginning on Monday 10th September, which promises to be an exciting, fun and tiring week for everyone.

Year 6 are beginning to take up their new jobs and responsibilities around school. These roles will change throughout the year, so they will be able to contribute to the wider life of the school in a variety of ways. In Year 6, we also encourage the children to take more responsibility for themselves and their learning, in preparation for their move to high school.

Homework will be set regularly in Year 6, as part of this preparation for moving on to high school, and the children are expected to record their homework tasks in their diaries. Spellings, based on the KS2 spelling list, will be given out on a Monday to be tested the following Monday. Maths homework will be set on Mathletics each week (on a Thursday). It is really important for children to be secure with their times tables, as so much maths in Y6 is based upon them. We will be continuing to work through the tables trails which were started in Lower KS2, so please encourage your child to practise them regularly. The children will be reading regularly in school and should be encouraged to do so at home too. Please continue to support your child with their reading, particularly through discussion, even though many are now generally competent readers. Reading homework may also involve activities related to our class novels.

Details of the curriculum we will be covering this term are attached to this letter and can also be found on the school website. PE will be on Mondays and Wednesdays this term – please make sure your child's PE kit is fully labelled and in school on these days.

This year, Year 6 will take their SATs tests during the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019. We will be preparing the children for these throughout the year. For your information a copy of the maths, reading and writing end-of-year expectations for Year 6, against which the children will be assessed, have been attached to this letter.

Of course, in Year 6, the children have many opportunities to represent the school and take part in a range of activities. Further information about any events and visits will be sent out as they are arranged.

We are very much looking forward to the coming term. Parents' Afternoon / Evening is planned for the beginning of December, but please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or questions in the meantime,

Yours sincerely,

Miss S. Huddleston and Mrs. J. Redmayne

