

# Primary 6 Learning Letter: Term 2



November 2016

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to Term 2 in Primary 6. Last term, the children were incredibly motivated and enthusiastic whilst learning all about World War Two. They demonstrated that they are successful learners and effective contributors through a variety of learning experiences. Our focus for IDL learning this term is our production of Alice the Musical. Pupils are currently working very hard to learn songs, lines and dances to create a fantastical and magical production, which we are all excited to share with you! As usual, in the build up to Christmas, the school will be a hive of activity. Particular events are detailed at the bottom of the page.

Mr. Renshaw

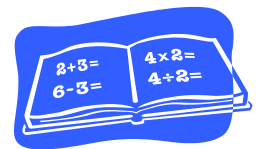
## English & Literacy

This term, P6 will be continuing our guided reading lessons focusing on developing reading skills for fiction texts. Alongside this, we will be reading play scripts and studying how authors and directors create a setting in fictional books and films, linking to our Alice in Wonderland IDL context. This will lead to creating our own play scripts and describing settings during writing lessons. Pupils will have many opportunities to develop their talking and listening skills. There will be a large focus on explaining and justifying preferences about texts and, whilst practising for our show, we will be working on communicating with expression and clarity.



## Maths & Numeracy

This term, P6 will be learning about a range of addition and subtraction strategies, both mental and written. This will be supported by our Number Talks sessions where we look at finding efficient strategies for mental calculations. Also, we will extend our understanding of place value by learning about decimals. Alongside this, we will spend some time on an 'Alice in Numberland' topic focusing on a variety of problem solving challenges. These activities will require pupils to apply a variety of mathematical skills.



## Interdisciplinary Learning: Alice in Wonderland

Key Questions: -

1. What are the features of a script?
2. What are the difference between a fictional text and a script?
3. How does an author create a setting?
4. Why are fictional texts adapted for stage and screen?
5. Who is required to run an organised production?

## Additional Information

Please encourage your child to practice their lines, songs and any dance/movement routines in which they are participating in our Alice show. We will be looking for help with any props, costumes and items which we will require for our production – your help and support as always is greatly appreciated.

## Dates for the diary

Cinema trip 15/11  
Children in Need dress down day 18/11  
Reading curriculum afternoon 24/11  
Cluster netball event 30/11  
'Alice' afternoon performance 30/11  
'Alice' evening performance 1/12  
Christmas fair 2/12  
Christmas lunch 8/12

## Homework

All pupils have their own homework diary to ensure that they are organised to keep track of their homework tasks on a weekly basis.

Please ensure that homework is checked and signed before handing into school.