



# Flax Hill Junior Academy

## Year 6 Newsletter – Spring 2, 2024

Mr Miladowski, Miss Rowe and Mr Plume



### This half term we are learning:

**English:** In English, we are reading Macbeth. The children are writing in a variety of ways including: diaries, newspapers, letters, character descriptions and many more.

**Maths:** For preparation for SATs, we are revisiting a range of different topics around both arithmetic and reasoning.

**Science:** We are learning about light.

**History:** We are looking at medicine and disease throughout different time periods.

**Geography:** Our geographical work is around Brazil this half term.

**Art:** Art will be looking at graffiti styles and some famous graffiti artists

**Music:** Children are learning the songs for the end of year play with Mrs Walters.

**PE:** Mr Cross is teaching the children different tactics for small games.

**RE:** The children are learning about faith through the arts

**SPaG:** In the lead up to SATs, children are being taught the different rules that may come up in the punctuation and grammar test; we have been focusing on a range of spelling rules as well.

### Message from the teachers:

We are already half way through the academic year; it really has flown by. In this short half term, we are going to be busy: world book day is approaching; sporting tournaments are taking place; and look out for treat days from the PTA.

As we approach the end of this half term, children may start to talk about their SATs a lot more. We are currently revisiting topics in school and will continue to do this until the children sit their tests. You may have already seen on X (Twitter) a post with recommended revision books for any topics you feel you may need to cover again at home. Please do not feel like you have to buy these as our main priority as a school is the children's well-being. Managing their anxiety in the lead up to their tests may be challenging. However, you can always be certain that we are trying to keep their worries at a minimum and if you have any concerns, please do contact your class teacher.

### Suggested Home Learning Activities

The most important thing you can do with your child is to encourage them to read. We hope that all children have the opportunity to read for at least 15 - 20 minutes every day at home.

With regard to Maths, times tables, number bonds and telling the time are other areas that children can benefit hugely from practising at home. This can be done at any time of the day - even when you are in the car or walking to school.