# Big Question – Science: What is the difference between a whale and a shark?

During our science lessons, we will be studying living things and their habitats, including classifying animals based on their attributes.

#### Big Question – Humanities (History and Geography): Can you climb the highest mountain in the world?

We will be learning about **Mount Everest** and the Himalayas. Lots of intrepid explorers and adventurers attempt to climb Everest; do you think you could?

#### Mathematics

#### New learning will be focused on:

We will be continuing to look at fractions this half term, learning how to multiply and divide fractions and mixed numbers.

We will then move on to decimals and percentages.

#### **P.E.**

Each class will have PE Mondays and Tuesdays. All children should have the school PE kit of a plain white T-shirt, black leggings or shorts and trainers in a small PE bag.

### P.S.H.E

Our Jigsaw unit is **Healthy Me.** The children will learn how to keep their minds and bodies healthy.

#### Welcome back - spring is in the air!

Miss Porter (6JP) Miss Crosby (6HC)

Mrs Nugent (English and maths teacher) Mr Keeley (Maths teacher)

### Year Group: 6



## Term: Spring 2

Early-Bird Reading Club and Early-Bird Maths Club will be taking place on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 am.

One of the main targets for school is to significantly improve levels of **attendance and punctuality**. It is vital your child attends school each day and arrives on time so that they do not miss lessons and develop gaps in their learning.

School starts at 8.40am and finishes at 3.15pm each day.

#### English:

This term we will be looking at balanced arguments. We will be looking at both sides of the controversial debate about whether animals should be kept in captivity.

**Reading skills** are taught every day during Guided Reading sessions. Extra time will be dedicated to cracking reading comprehension in preparation for the SATS...

**SPAG – Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar:** We will be looking at the different past tenses: simple past, present perfect, past perfect and the past progressive. We will also be investigating the hyphen and working out when it should be used.

#### Weekly Homework

Homework will be sent home on <u>Friday</u>. It is due back on the following <u>Wednesday</u>.

Spellings will be sent home on <u>Friday</u> and will be tested on the following <u>Wednesday</u>. Please support your child by helping them learn their spellings.

Every child has access to a Time Table Rockstars account. Please encourage your child to practice regularly.

#### **Daily homework**

- Reading for 20 minutes every day – your child's home reading book should be brought to school in a school book bag every day.

- Spelling practice
- Times tables practice (Olympic Times Tables)