



# Topaz Class Newsletter

Thorpe Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

We hope you have managed to have a lovely, Christmas holiday, filled with laughter, fun and long-lasting memories.

Thank you so much to everyone for your lovely cards and presents - we very much appreciate your generosity and kind words. Although this term is a relatively short one, it will be filled with a lot of hard work. Keep your eyes peeled in the homework diaries for any extra homework, SAT's information or activities the children may need your help with. Afterschool booster classes will begin shortly - information to follow.

Thank you for your continued support.

The year 6 team.

### English

**Narrative** - Children will be writing their own warning stories.

**Factual writing** - Based on Indian Religions.

**Instructional writing** - Writing a recipe for an Indian meal.

**Reading comprehension** - Various different texts.

### Topic

India

### PSHE

Dreams and Goals.

### Maths

Position and direction  
Decimals and Percentages.  
Algebra

### R.E.

What helps Hindus to worship?

### Science

Living things and their habitats

### Computing

Online safety -  
*Please ensure your children are kept safe on the internet and they are engaging in age-appropriate activities online.*

### Grammar and Punctuation

Subjunctive verb form.  
Passive and active voice.  
Modal Verbs.  
Difference between statements, questions, commands and exclamations.  
Hyphens used for ambiguity.

### Art

Rangoli art - patterns of India.

### Topaz Class PE days

Our PE lessons will be on a **Tuesday** and **Friday**. PE kit should be worn to school on those days.

Please remind the children to remove earrings and all long hair should be tied back.

### SATs

Next term, your children will complete the 'Standard Assessment Tests' (SATs) in the week commencing 9th May. This covers:

- Reading - comprehension
- Maths - one arithmetic and two reasoning papers.
- Grammar - 2 papers (One spelling and one short answer paper)

### SO PLEASE:

- **Read** - listen to your child **every** night and ask questions about what your child has read. - quality not quantity!
- **Times tables** - practise speed and recall to support calculations.
- **Support your child with any home learning.**
- **Have a regular routine to encourage the development of work and play**
- **Encourage your child to have a sensible bedtime.**

*Changes: This term the children may also be given practice papers and ten-minute tests to develop their understanding in different areas. These will be given out when appropriate, and may be due the following day - details will always be in homework diaries.*

As always, please do come and see me if there are any concerns or ideas you would like to discuss.

# Happy New Year!