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Dear Parents

We are delighted how quickly the children have settled into Thames class following the summer break. The Year 5 children have risen to the challenges of greater independence, and Year 6 children are setting a positive example as the oldest in the school.

We are pleased to welcome Miss O'Reilly, who will be class teacher alongside Mrs Sparks, as Mrs Quigley prepares for maternity leave in October. Both Miss O'Reilly and Mrs Quigley will be working in Thames Class together for the initial weeks of the term. We will also be welcoming Mr Webster this year, who will be teaching the children a weekly Mandarin lesson as well as providing an after-school club.

This term we will be having swimming lessons on Monday afternoons beginning the week of the 11th September. In addition, we are fortunate to continue to receive support from Ignite Sports for our weekly PE lesson on Thursdays. In assemblies and class discussions, the value we will be thinking of is that of 'Relationships' focusing on Friendship.

The children will be studying the following topics across the curriculum this term:

English	Rich text study – The Tear Thief Writing for different genres Poetry
Maths	Place Value and the Number System Four Operations: Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division Prime Numbers Statistics
Science	The Human Body Effects of exercise
Computing	PowerPoint, including hyperlinks Design using SketchUp
History/ Geography	Anglo-Saxons and Lindisfarne
D.T/ Art	Human Circulatory System Anglo-Saxon Burials and artefacts
P.E.	Swimming Ignite Sport
R.E.	Sikhism – Belief into Action
Music	Music to represent Anglo Saxon gods: creating, notating and performing compositions
MFL	French, Mandarin Chinese
P.S.H.E.	New Beginnings

We will be setting the children homework and spellings to learn weekly. On Fridays, the children will receive a list of spellings and some homework. The spellings will be tested on the following Friday, while the homework will need to be completed and brought back to school by the following Wednesday. We also encourage children to read for pleasure as much as possible.

If your child is finding their homework difficult, please do speak to us, or encourage your child to ask us for some extra help and explanation, rather than letting any worries “brew”! We always welcome your help and support with your children’s learning and if you feel there are any areas of this term’s curriculum that you may be able to contribute to, please let us know.

Thank you for your support

Heather Sparks, Anne Quigley and Rosemary O’Reilly
Thames Class Teachers