

**Our Values**  
Respect, Kindness, Resilience,  
Integrity, Honesty and Trust



- Our Pledge**
- Listen and Learn
  - Do your best
  - Look after each other
  - Look after our school

## Year 6 Newsletter Autumn 2 2024

Team 6 have been making some good progress this half term. In **Literacy**, the children concluded their biography unit by writing about Usain Bolt before moving onto narratives. They have been improving their descriptions of settings and characters and have now started writing adventure stories. This builds on the book we have been studying in **Reading** - *The Explorer* by Katherine Rundell. The book is about a group of children who become stranded in The Amazon, which we have also been learning about in **Geography**.

In **Maths**, after tackling some of the trickier parts of the four operations like long division and BODMAS, the children have been learning more about fractions. Their learning in these sessions as well as the work we have been doing together in SATs Boosters have helped them to achieve much improved scores in their recent past papers. This should give them more confidence in their mathematical abilities and help them to push on towards the expected or greater depth standard ahead of the tests in May.

In **Science**, we have been conducting also sorts of experiments (from classifying Liquorice Allsorts to creating mouldy pieces of bread in different conditions) to help us learn about Living Things and their Habitats. We also went to All Saints to study microorganisms using microscopes and got to see/touch some exotic animals with the help of Zoolab.

In the **wider curriculum**, we have had some valuable visits from a police officer to discuss topics such as racial hatred and cyber bullying. We had two fantastic trips to the cinema to see Kensuke's Kingdom and Kung Fu Panda 4, as well as learning about how to become more responsible citizens with some help from The Metropolitan Police, TFL, NHS and Young Hackney. We also had a fantastic trip to The British Museum using tablets to explore ancient Greek artefacts.

There is much to look forward to in the next half term such as our class assembly and a trip to Tower Bridge for our Young City Poets project, which will also include a visit from a professional poet/rapper! We can't wait to see their resulting efforts.

