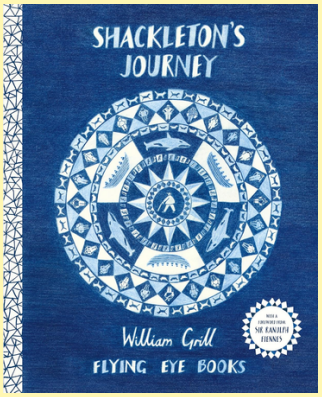
YEAR 6 PARENT LEAFLET

TERM: AUTUMN 2 **TEXT:** SHACKLETON'S JOURNEY

Year 6 have been exploring **Shackleton's Journey** by William Grill, which tells the incredible true story of Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic expedition and his crew's fight for survival after their ship, Endurance, became trapped in the ice.

This inspiring text provides fantastic opportunities to develop reading comprehension, vocabulary and creative writing. The children have written diary entries from the crew's perspective and explored poetic language inspired by the Antarctic landscape. Alongside their English skills, the text encourages them to consider resilience, leadership, teamwork and courage in the face of adversity.



WHAT ARE WE LEARNING THIS HALF TERM:

Link to our Medium Term Plan

English:

Using Shackleton's Journey as a stimulus, pupils will develop their reading comprehension, exploring vocabulary, inference, retrieval and authorial intent. They will apply their understanding of grammar, including sentence structure, punctuation and figurative language, to enhance their writing across a range of genres, including poetry, motivational speeches, descriptive writing and newspaper reports.

Maths:

Fractions: Children will simplify fractions, find common denominators, compare and order fractions, and add and subtract fractions with different denominators then will multiply fractions by integers and other fractions, divide fractions by integers, and solve problems involving fractions and mixed numbers.

Converting Units: Children will convert between metric units of measure, miles and kilometres, and units of time. They will also explore imperial measurements and solve problems involving different units of measurement.

Dates and Reminders:

PE: Both Year 6 Classes have their PE on a Wednesday morning, and a Friday afternoon. Please ensure pupils come dressed in school PE kit, and have suitable clothing for both indoor and outdoor PE.

Home Learning Expectations:

- Reading a variety of texts, as a minimum of 3 times a week. All pupils have Log In details to Reading Eggs too.
- Spellings will be posted on Dojo. Please practise at home either on paper or Spelling Shed, ready for our weekly test.
- TT Rockstars and/or paper times table grids encouraged.
- A homework pack will be sent home on a Friday, to be completed by the following Friday. Bronze and Silver sheets are compulsory. Please encourage Gold and Platinum, where appropriate.