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Dear Parents and Carers,

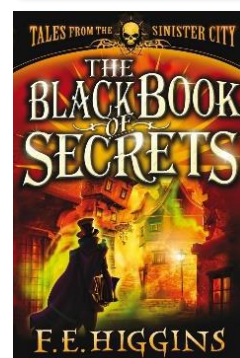
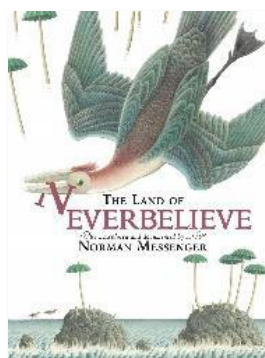
Welcome back! We hope that you enjoyed your break and are well rested for the term ahead.

### Learning

In **English** we will be writing biographies about Charles Darwin, linked to our Science unit. We will also be using videos to inspire our writing over the first half term. Towards the end of the year, we will be writing about imaginary worlds in response to "The Land of Neverbelieve" by Norman Messenger, and reading *The Black Book of Secrets* by F.E. Higgins.

In **Maths** we will be using all of the learning about calculation from the Autumn and Spring Term and applying it to solve word problems. We will also be introducing topics such as *Ratio and Proportion*.

In **History** for the Summer Term our unit is "The Silk Road", in which the children will learn about the significance of medieval Baghdad as a centre for trade, culture and learning.



### SATs

As you know, the SATs are happening this term on the week commencing Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May. We will spend lots of the beginning part of this term preparing for SATs week. The children have been working very hard and want them to shine during this week. Please keep encouraging your children to use their revision books at home.

### Homework

We will continue to send homework each Friday and this should be returned by Wednesday.

| Homework Set | Homework Due |
|--------------|--------------|
| Friday       | Wednesday    |

In addition to weekly homework, we expect all children to read for at least 15-20 minutes each day. Reading is a fundamental part of the children's development and it has a positive impact on comprehension skills, writing,



maths and many other subjects. Children should complete their reading records to evidence the reading they have done and bring these to school every day where they will be checked by your child's teacher.

### Uniform and PE Lessons

Make-up and jewellery, with the exception of stud ear-rings and a watch are not allowed. All children are expected to wear full school uniform at all times. PE for Year 6 will be on a Thursday. Children will need to come to school wearing a PE kit and a pair of trainers. If there is a medical reason that your child is unable to do PE please send in a signed note or contact the office.

### Music

The children will now finish working with Camden Music Service and return their trumpets and trombones. However, this term we will be getting ready for our end of term show. We will send you more details soon.

We would like to remind you that school and learning starts at **9:00**. The gates will be open at 8:50. The school day ends at 3:30.

We look forward to continuing working with both you and your children. If you should have any general questions regarding the year ahead, please do not hesitate to contact us through [year6@westhampstead.camden.sch.uk](mailto:year6@westhampstead.camden.sch.uk)

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