



Thursday 4th September

Dear Parents/Carers

As you will have seen on the Learning Jigsaw, this half term Year 6 are learning about the heart and circulatory system as part of their science topic. To enhance the children's learning we have planned an exciting investigation lesson as part of this unit. Midway through the unit, children will get the chance to dissect a lamb's heart. We run this session each year for Year 6 children, and they are always fascinated by this experiment. It is extremely beneficial in gaining a greater understanding of the heart and how it functions.

We understand however that there may be some children who will not feel comfortable with this; we will ensure that only the children who want to take part in this do so. I will talk to the children about this experiment in class but if your child expresses at home that they would rather not take part in the session, please let me know via email by Monday 8th September.

We will take all the necessary safety precautions, such as using scissors and bread knives rather than scalpels, purchasing hearts of food quality and making sure that the children wash their hands thoroughly before and after the activity.

The soonest we will be completing this investigation is W/C 8th September but it may be slightly later depending on delivery dates.

We look forward to sharing our learning with you soon.

Kind regards,

Mrs Kirsty O'Callaghan-James

Year 6 Class Teacher