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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 5/6 children,

Our topic for the second half of the Spring Term is called 'Off with Her Head!'

On our hook day, **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February**, we will be visited by King Henry VIII and Anne Boleyn! We will learn all about his life and how to behave in his company! The children will also be making a pomander and learning about what they were used for in Tudor times. Please can you send your child in with an orange for the pomander on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February**? The children need to come to school in normal school uniform.

We will be finding out about when the Tudors lived, comparing them on a timeline to other important historical figures. We'll be learning about the

wives of Henry VIII and his royal residences. Many aspects of Tudor life were so different to those of today, particularly crime and punishment and religion so we'll look into those and determine how and why they contrast to life in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Why not visit a local museum to learn more about Tudor times? You could also visit a town with Tudor architecture; Buckingham and Aylesbury both have examples. Look out for black and white, timber-framed buildings. They will be easy to spot! Or visit your local library to find out more about this fascinating family.

To whet your appetite, why not start reading a book about this fascinating period with its larger than life characters?

You will receive a Maths, English and topic lessons overview separately.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Beech, Mrs Gray and Mr Brooks

Year 5 and 6 teachers

Terrible Tudors (Horrible Histories)	Terry Deary and Neil Tonge
The Executioner's Daughter	Jane Hardstaff
River Daughter (Executioner's Daughter)	Jane Hardstaff
At the House of the Magician	Mary Hooper
Tudors and Stuarts (Usborne History of Britain)	Fiona Patchett
In Tudor Times (Men, Women and Children)	Jane Bingham
Henry VIII (Extraordinary Lives)	Jane Bingham
Elizabeth I (Discover the Tudors)	Maira Butterfield
Everyday Life (Discover the Tudors)	Maira Butterfield
Tudor Exploration (Discover the Tudors)	Maira Butterfield
Tudors and Stuarts in Britain (Tracking Down)	Maira Butterfield

