



WELCOME TO YEAR SIX

Mrs Kenyon (6K)

Miss O'Brien (6O)

Mrs Shepherd (6K + 6O)

Year 6

- ▣ We are very lucky this academic year to have three teachers working with the children across both classes.
- ▣ We hope that children will enjoy getting to know all three teachers and enjoy working with children from both classes throughout the year.
- ▣ Maths will be taught in mixed ability groups but with around 20 children in each group (these groups will be fluid).
- ▣ We will run after school clubs for reading and maths – to start before half term. You will receive a letter shortly if your child is chosen.
- ▣ The afterschool groups - Maths will be on a Monday and Reading on a Tuesday 3.30-4.30pm.

Homework

Homework is the same format as year 5

- Children will be given a Maths and an English per week (a reading comprehension and maths that consolidates classroom learning)
- They are still expected to read for at least 20 minutes per night 5 times a week. In their books, they should document the book they are reading and how many pages they have read. Parents must sign the link book at the end of the week (children will miss play time to read if this has not been completed)
- Spelling test will be completed every week so spellings must be learned
- Times Table Rock Star challenges will be set on a weekly basis

Monday- link books in for reading

Homework due in on Thursday and new homework handed out on Thursday.

If children have not completed it at home, they can complete it at Homework club, which is held during playtime and lunchtime. This is the same for timestable rockstars.

Any questions about homework must be asked before it is due to be handed in.

We mark the homework with the children as this offers an opportunity for them to see their errors and see us modelling the work. Therefore, the pupils **MUST** have their homework with them – all completed please. If they do not bring it in they will be asked to stay in to complete it.

Curriculum

- ▣ We teach Maths, Writing and Reading and all foundation subjects (geography, history, science, art, DT, PSHE, RE, music)
- ▣ Mr Harvey teaches Computing or Music on Monday afternoon
- ▣ First Touch teach PE on a Monday afternoon (PE uniform includes their house colour t-shirt and plain dark shorts or tracksuit bottoms and school jumper or fleece – NO FOOTBALL TOPS)
- ▣ PE Friday for both classes led by the teacher
- ▣ Mrs Dorunay will teach French on a Friday in both classes
- ▣ Mr Harvey is in 6K on a Thursday afternoon, Mrs Shepherd is in 6K on a Wednesday afternoon and 6O all day on a Friday.
- ▣ Swimming will be in the Summer term

Curriculum

- ▣ Main foundation subject work will include:
- ▣ Science – light, electricity, living things, circulatory system and evolution
- ▣ History – Victorians
- ▣ Geography – rivers, maps and grid references, comparing different geographical locations
- ▣ Art/DT – perspective drawings, sewing, cooking, painting, pencil and pastel drawings, electrical game.
- ▣ RE- Buddhism, comparing celebrations for key life events, philosophy
- ▣ DT – cooking: making and designing a pizza/electricity game

Trips

Library visit to Watford library (autumn term)

Victorian Day (in school – autumn term)

High Street Trail Walk (autumn term)

Wagamama visit to link with DT (autumn term)

Whole school Pantomime visit (autumn term)

Author visit for World Book Day (spring term)

Pizza Express visit to link with DT (spring term)

Hudnall park or 'in-house' activities (Summer Term)

Secondary transfer

- ▣ It is our job to get the children ready for secondary school!
- ▣ Secondary school allocations in March
- ▣ Transition days and secondary teacher visits in summer
- ▣ Queries to Miss Brooks

Jobs

- ▣ To encourage responsibility
- ▣ Chairs, trays, cards, swimming money, house captains, doors, play rangers, letters, registers etc
- ▣ Will change every half term..

- ▣ Walking home from school – written permission needed
- ▣ No *smart* phones
- ▣ All phones must be handed into the office in the morning
- ▣ If you ever need to see us, please write us a note in the link books and ask your child to show it to us. We are always available at the end of the school day after the children have been seen safely to their parents- this is preferable to the beginning of the day, when we are focused on settling the children into their learning and the children need our attention at this time ☺
- ▣ Please note that we have a staff meeting on Wednesday after school so are only available for a quick chat on this day.
- ▣ If you require a longer meeting, then please make an appointment with us and please outline what you would like to discuss.

What we work on

- ▣ In year 6, pace of work and stamina are the two aspects we work on
- ▣ Children might be asked to finish their work in playtime/lunchtime. This isn't because they have been 'naughty' or are in trouble – they just need to reach a certain point in their learning
- ▣ Children might be asked to work in the afternoon in maths/English for intervention work

Lastly ...

- ▣ *We are getting the children year 7 ready so no toys in school please*
- ▣ *Their stationary is their responsibility*
- ▣ We hope that your child enjoys year 6
- ▣ Please do communicate with us should you have any worries/ questions or concerns
- ▣ We look forward to getting to know your child and working with them for the next year

- ▣ Any questions?