

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 6. We hope that your child has had a restful summer break and that they are ready for an exciting final year. It is lovely to have all of the children back and we are already very impressed by their enthusiasm, focus and positive attitude. The children have all started the term with perfect school uniforms and fully equipped pencil cases - thank you for your hard work with this.

This year, Mrs Clark will be taking the class all day Monday and on a Wednesday morning. To make this an easy transition for the children, we will take responsibility for different areas of teaching in English and Maths and will teach different foundation subjects. Mrs Clark will be teaching Maths Reasoning, Reading Comprehension, Punctuation, Spelling & Grammar, RE, French and Music.

We are also very fortunate to have a fantastic team of very skilled Teaching Assistants: Mrs Lucas, Miss Harrison, Mrs Ferris, Mrs Ardley and Mrs Sinclair.

Year 6 will have PE on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and PE kit must be in school on these days. This should be their 'House' colour t-shirt with black or navy shorts or joggers/leggings and trainers. As the weather gets colder a sweatshirt or hoodie will need to be worn too - ideally a dark, plain one.

Our theme for this half term is 'Ourselves,' and the attached grid shows our topics. The Class novel for this term is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar and we will be completing a range of writing activities linked to this book. Homework will be set on a Friday and will be due back in on a Wednesday. We are now using spelling logs for the children to practise their spellings in. These will be sent home on a Monday for practice and will need to be back in school on a Friday for the weekly test.

We are having a real focus this year on reading for pleasure. We have restocked our bookshelf and have created a reading corner displaying the 100 recommended reading books to read by the end of year 6. Each child has chosen a reading book to read during morning and afternoon registration. They will also have the opportunity to borrow books from the school library. Please encourage your child to read at home, either to themselves or to an adult.

We are looking forward to teaching your child and preparing them for the next stage in their lives. If you have any concerns then do not hesitate to email us or speak to one of us at the gate after school. Thank you for your support.

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Best wishes,
Mrs M Dickinson

Literacy

Class novel: Holes by Louis Sachar
Argument and Debate

PE

Outdoor and adventurous PE
Rugby

Numeracy

Written arithmetic
Place value
Addition/Subtraction/
Multiplication/ Division
Reasoning

Music

Transcribing

**Ourselves
Autumn 1
Class 6**

RE

Are Saints
encouraging role
models?

Science

The Circulatory System

Art

Movement in
art

Computing

Programming - Kodu

Personal Development

Managing Risk

French

Telling the time
Daily routine

Geography

Countries and cities
of Europe
HS2