



Welcome to Year Six 2024-25

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Welcome to Year 6

Firstly, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very warm welcome back to school; we have missed you all greatly and are excited to start a new year! The Year 6 team will reassure your

child if they are upset or worried. We know that returning to school may be an unsettling time for them and we want to support them the best we can. The most important thing is communication, and if you need some help broaching this subject with your child, there are some really useful wellbeing resources on our school website.

Arriving and Leaving School.

Please ensure that children are **not at school before 8:30am** as there are no staff on duty to supervise them. When children arrive at school they should **come straight into the classroom** and get on with the provided work, quietly and independently as there may not be a member of staff in the room until 8:45am. At the end of the day, please make sure your child knows where they are being met, and by whom. If your child walks home independently please ensure their class teacher is aware of this.

Curriculum.

This year, we will be continuing with Literacy Tree for our English curriculum; with our first two books being; a beautiful picture book version of Anne Frank's story along with The Unforgotten Coat by Frank Cottrell Boyce. For our maths curriculum we shall continue to follow White Rose planning, focussing on number and place value to begin the term. Our foundation subjects can be found in our Year 6 Curriculum Map located in the Year 6 folder on the school website.

Timetable (sample)

Student Year 6 Autumn 1 - 2024:

		Period 1	Period 2	Break	Period 3	Period 4	Lunch	Period 5	Period 6	Period 7
	8.45-9.00	9.00 - 9.30	9.30 - 10.30	10.30-10.45	10.45 - 11.05	11.05- 12.10	12.10 - 13.10	13.10 - 14.10	14.10- 14:45	14.45 - 15.10
Monday	Registration Early work - Spellings - Arithmetic	Reading Reading Intervention	Maths	BREAK Main	Weekly Review	English	Lunch Main	ICT Time 1.10 - 2.10 6H ICT Time 3.10 - 3.10 6P	RE or PSHE	Assembly Nessy time
Tuesday	Registration Early work - Handwriting	Reading Reading Intervention	Maths	BREAK Astro E	Rotation of 'Number Talk', Handwriting	English	Lunch Astro E	Swimming / PE	Handwriting	
Wednesday	Registration Early work Mathswhizz	Mathswhizz	Maths	BREAK Front	Rotation of 'Number Talk', Handwriting	English	Lunch Front	Science	French	Assembly Nessy time
Thursday	Registration Early work - Spellings - Arithmetic	Music / PE		BREAK Back	Music / PE		Lunch Back	Maths	English	Assembly Nessy time
Friday	Registration Early work - Spellings - Arithmetic	Reading Writing Intervention	Maths	BREAK Astro C	Rotation of 'Number Talk', Handwriting	English	Lunch Astro C	Assembly Nessy time	Art	History

As we are constantly developing and reviewing and enhancing our curriculum it is possible that some of the above may change.

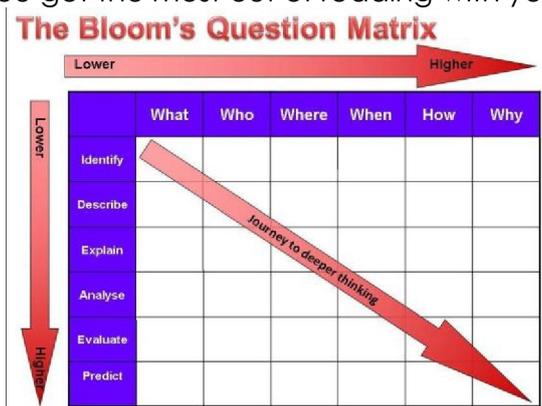
Writing.

We would like to encourage all the children to enjoy writing. Any opportunities to write creatively at home would help support their learning at school. It would be fantastic if children brought in any independent writing they have done to share with the class.

<http://www.teachingideas.co.uk/writing-fiction/creative-writing-ideas> this website provides some good prompts for writing and <http://www.literacyshed.com> has great short videos to inspire the children's writing. The 'SpellBetter' app provides predictive text which could speed up the writing process and help children with their spellings.

Reading.

It is still important to be reading or sharing stories with your children. Role modelling good reading habits yourselves will also show your children that reading can provide lots of pleasure. When reading with your child it is important to ask a range of questions to check their understanding of the story. Below is a handy grid to help you get the most out of reading with your child:



We follow the 'Reading Vipers' in school, a copy of which is included in your child's reading record but a reminder is included here:



Although the children are becoming increasingly independent readers it is still important that they read with an adult **at least three times a week**. All independent and supported reading should be recorded in your child's reading records. This is a requirement in order to achieve a weekly merit, along with other homework. The children will be able to borrow two books from our school library, one will be matched to the level of reading comprehension and fluency and the 2nd will be a personal choice of the children and could be any level or genre.

Art.

Art is a messy subject! We have old shirts / t-shirts which we use as aprons during this subject, however would welcome any donations which would top up our stores.

P.E.

Our allocated PE day is Thursday – to minimise changing your child will be required to come to school in their kit of this day. The majority of PE will be outside this half-term. Please ensure your child has appropriate PE kit including jumpers and joggers for cooler days. P.E. clothing should support our uniform policy, white t-shirts and blue or black shorts / tracksuit bottoms. All jewellery should be removed for P.E. lessons, earrings can be taped by you or your child.

Swimming

This term your child will attend swimming lessons on Tuesday afternoons. We remind you that long hair must be tied back and girls need a full one piece costume. If your child is in a non-swimming group

then they need to come to school wearing their PE kit.

Homework.

There will be an expectation that all children complete at least half an hour of Maths Whizz every week. We will celebrate those children making the best progress in class and during celebration assemblies. Children that don't complete their weekly Maths Whizz will not receive their merit sticker.

Homework will be issued each Wednesday with the expectation for it to be completed by the following Tuesday (there may on occasion be exceptions to this). Children will be issued with a homework book, although there may be some homework that will be issued via Google Classrooms so please get into the habit of keeping an eye on this. Should your child not have access to a computer, please let us know via the office and we will arrange for a paper copy.

Google Classroom.

We make use of this platform for homework as well as other school subjects. We shall ensure that all children are added onto the corresponding Google Classroom and know how to access and navigate. Please see the YouTube video below for guidance.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pl-tBjAM9g4>

Equipment.

We will be supplying the children with their own set of equipment for use in the classroom so they will not need to bring their own pencil cases. However, they are welcome to bring in their own pencils etc should they choose, but they take responsibility for these items.

Snacks and drinks

We encourage the children to have healthy snacks at playtime for example: fruit, vegetables, cereal bars. This does not include chocolate bars or crisps. We encourage children to drink as much as possible throughout the day, please remember that drinks bottles should only contain water, no fruit juices.

Films and video clips.

Department of Education regulations mean that primary school students are only able to watch U rated movies at school without parent permission. From time to time, our classes will be watching and studying various films in order to support an enriching curriculum. Some of these films will be PG rated. There may also be situations where students will watch PG movies on special occasions such as end of term/year break-up celebrations. These movies will be viewed under the guidance of our teaching staff.

The British Board of Film Classification explain PG rated films as:

General viewing, but some scenes may be unsuitable for young children. A PG film should not unsettle a child aged around eight or older. Unaccompanied children of any age may watch, but parents are advised to consider whether the content may upset younger, or more sensitive, children. For more information please visit <https://www.bbfc.co.uk/rating/PG>

In order for your child to be able to watch a PG rated film, permission must be given by a parent/guardian and held on file for the school year. Permission is assumed for UNLESS you tell us otherwise by informing the school office that you do not wish your child to watch films of a PG rating.

Expectations and Rewards.

In Year 6 we have high expectations in terms of workload and behaviour. We will be following the whole school traffic light system for behaviour management.

Key Dates for Autumn Term 1

Further information about these events will be provided via Parentmail, however the following dates are either trips or off-curriculum days.

Term starts - Wednesday 4th September

Year 5/6 Hilltop Trip – Friday 27th Sept - Sunday 29th September

Half term - Friday 25th October - 3rd November inclusive

A Final Note.

We consider ourselves to be a friendly and approachable team, if you have any concerns or questions you want to ask your child's teacher please contact the office via email or phone, they will pass on your message and we will be in contact as soon as convenient.

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We look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

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