

Meet the Teacher Summary.

Link Book

All children in Year 5/6 have been given a link book. The purpose of this book is to help the pupils with their organisation, particularly with homework and important dates. It is also a useful way for parents and teachers to communicate. Weekly spelling lists and home reading will be recorded in this book. Children are expected to have this book in school every day. Parents must sign at least once a week to acknowledge the reading at home..

Homework- changes here! Y6 compulsory

Pupils in Year 6 are set three pieces of homework on the Monday of each week:

- Learning Journal (red book) -due on a Friday
- Maths (purple book) -Out on Friday, due the following Wednesday
- Spelling lists - given on Monday, NO FORMAL SPELLING TESTS in school

In addition:

- Y6 SPaG - Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar is set on a Thursday and due in the following Monday.
- Values homework is set half termly (6x a year) VOLUNTARY
- Topic homework is set termly (3x a year) VOLUNTARY

It expected that each piece of homework should take about half an hour.

We are always willing to listen if your child is unable to hand in the homework on time.....

Reading and times tables - in addition to set homework it is expected that children will keep up regular practise of times tables and read daily. Reading link books need to be filed in everyday, checked on a weekly basis by a parent or carer and signed by them.

Curriculum and Topics

Autumn:

Navigation. Shackleton's Journey. Survival visitors.

Science -Earth and Space. Observations - stargazing evening; forces - fiction and gravity.

Spring:

History - WWI

Science - life cycles and evolution

Summer:

History - 'Stone age to 1066'

Science - Human biology and Sex & Relationships

See curriculum guidelines for more information - sent home today.

Grouping

Maths groups according to end of year diagnostic assessment scores, these can be fluid - Literacy will be taught in class. The children have been split into 3 maths sets. These groups are flexible and will be adjusted according to individual needs.

PE

PE will take place on:

Cobalt = Monday and Friday.

Turq = Mon and Wed.

SKY = Tues and wed.

Please ensure that your child has correct kit in school every day in case of last minute PE due to adverse weather.

Kit : white t-shirt, black shorts (or jogging bottoms for outside if preferred), daps or trainers. For children wearing ear-rings, please make sure that they are able to remove them or have suitable tape to cover them.

Water Bottles

Regular hydration aids concentration and pupils are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. In Year 5/6 it is the pupils' responsibility to fill their own water bottle and bring it home to be washed every Friday.

SATs

SAT's is obviously an important part of year 6. There is no need for the children or parents to worry at all about these. SAT's week is in May. Please ensure that you do not book your holidays for these dates.

Secondary Transfer

Forms were sent to the office last week and should be forwarded to you imminently - please look after them. If you have any queries be do not hesitate in contacting the school office. Reply slips must be returned to school no later than the 31st of October.

Contacting us

If you feel you would like to contact us at any time about your child's progress or a concern, this can easily be arranged. Please send a note in with your child (ideally in their link book); phone the school office; or approach us on the playground.