



Year 6 Newsletter

We discover and realise the genius in everyone!

YEAR 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We are thrilled to have all children back at school and we are really looking forward to starting our learning journey in Year 6! We will be delving into some exciting topics this half term and hope that the children will share this fascinating learning with you through discussions at home.

Miss Maylon, Mr Barnshaw, Miss Akdogan and Miss Adesina

REMINDERS

All children must bring their PE kits into school every week. They can bring their PE kits in on Monday and take them home on Friday.

We do not recommend that children under the age of ten walk home alone. However, if you would like them to do so, you must sign and return a school form. Please contact the office for more details.

Please ensure your child wears correct school uniform every day. See the school website for further details.

TOPIC FOCUS: CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

This half term our topic is 'Crime and Punishment'. We will learn about the types of crime committed and the punishments received have changed throughout the ages. We start in Roman times and move on to look at the Vikings, the Middle Ages and the Victorian era. In Science, we will learn about Evolution and Inheritance. This topic will focus on characteristics and how we inherit them from our families and how animals and plants adapt and evolve in order to survive its habitat.

IMPORTANT DATES SEPTEMBER

25th September:
Y6 Height and weight checks RA

OCTOBER

10th October
World Mental Health day

11th and 12th October
Parents evening

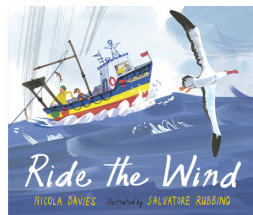
16th - 20th October
School Journey and Home Journey

31st October:
Y6 Height and weight checks Thamesmead

English

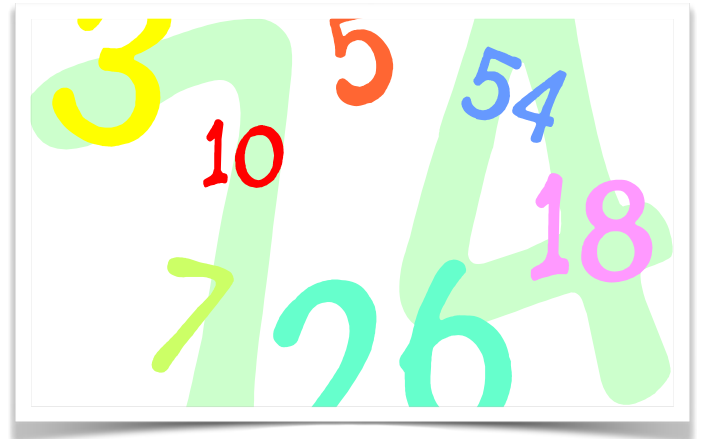
In English, during the first two weeks, Year 6 studied a book titled, 'In Our Hands' by Lucy Farfort. A group of determined children grow as seed of hope that inspires everyone to come together and build a better future when the world is forced to live in an isolated world without colour.

Later on in the term we start reading 'Ride the Wind' by Nicola Davies. It is a heartfelt story of a father and son, of grief and reconnection - and an albatross who needs to find her way home. To begin, we will be write a poem. Following this, we will write information texts about albatrosses.



GROUPS

In order to support learning, pupils may be taught in groups for maths and reading. Additional small group teaching will take place as needed to support your child's progress.



Maths

In our Maths lessons, we will work on a broad range of skills with a particular focus on arithmetic. We will continue to use mental and written methods for all four operations. In the first few weeks, much of our learning will be focussed on number and place value.

The children will also be learning about real-life applications of mathematics through problem-solving activities related to different industries.

We are particularly concentrating on our times tables this term to ensure that ALL children can recall up to 12x12 times tables rapidly.

Please practise these at home daily using the [Times Tables Rock Stars app](#). This is a fun and engaging way for your child to practice.

HOME LEARNING

Project homework will be sent via Showbie.

Spellings will be given out weekly on Mondays; children will be tested the following Monday. The spellings can be found on [Spelling Shed](#) - a great website/app that will aid your child's learning.

Please continue to encourage your child to read often and record this in their Reading Champions book. The children will go home with both their assessed book banded book and a novel of their choice.

Times tables is a key focus for Year 6; please continue to practise these regularly. Children should use [Times Tables Rock Stars](#) every day.

