



Welcome to Year 6

Mr Lancaster, Miss Jones, Mrs Howe & Mr Gibbons

September – October 2023



Welcome to Year 6!

We hope you have all managed to have a lovely break and had a good summer. This half term, our topic is World War II and we will be completing lots of exciting and interesting work in our Writing, History and Design and Technology.

Year 6 Katherine Johnson

Mr Lancaster will be teaching Katherine Johnson Class. Mr Gibbons will be teaching the class on Wednesdays.

Year 6 Tim Peake

Miss Jones will be teaching Tim Peake Class. Mr Gibbons will be teaching the class every Friday.

Mrs Howe will be teaching across Year 6. Miss Waud and Miss Parchment will also be supporting the learning of all our Year 6 pupils.

English:

This half term, the children will begin by spending a week writing poetry about The Blitz, focussing on effective vocabulary choice, syllables to help their work flow, and using vocabulary appropriately to shape their poems. We will then move forwards with non-chronological reports about evacuation and continue with children writing their own non-chronological reports about WW2.

Maths:

This half term, we will first spend two weeks consolidating place value understanding of numbers up to 10 million. We will practice reading and writing numbers as well as understanding the value of each digit, how to break numbers down differently and how to represent them in different ways.

Reading:

This half term we will be reading Goodnight Mr Tom, practising building up our application of the different Super 6 reading skills including inference, monitoring of new vocabulary, and summarising.

Reading days:

All children will receive a reading book and record with details of your child's reading day. It is expected that children will read their book at least 3 times per week and have their reading record signed by an adult.

Please can you make sure that your child brings their reading book and record to school every day.

The School Library:

Throughout the year, children will have the opportunity to take books out of our Library. These can be changed weekly when each class visits the Library.

We will inform you of your child's library day as soon as possible.

These books should be read for pleasure as well as their reading books which match with their reading level.

PE:

This half term, both classes will be playing Cricket in their outdoor PE lesson and doing fitness sessions in the school hall. For outdoor PE sessions, children are welcome to bring in any warmer clothing such as jogging bottoms or a hoodie/ tracksuit. It is essential that all children bring trainers or pumps on PE days.

Katherine Johnson Class – Tuesday (indoor) and Wednesday (outdoor)

Tim Peake Class – Tuesday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)

Homework:

Each week, children in Year 6 will receive Grammar, Maths and Spelling homework.

The Grammar homework will go home on Tuesday and is due on Friday.

The Maths homework will go home on Friday and due on the following Tuesday.

Spelling homework will be set on Spelling Shed and there will be a spelling test every two weeks.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to get in touch with school or any of us at the end of the day on the back playground.

Many thanks,

Mr Lancaster, Miss Jones, Mrs Howe and Mr Gibbons

Important Dates:

- IntoUniversity – Katherine Johnson Class (11th - 15th September) and Time Peake Class (18th - 22nd September).
- Friday 20th October 2023 - Teacher Training Day- School closed to all pupils.
- Friday 27th October 2023- School closes to pupils for the holidays.
- Monday 6th November 2023 - School opens to pupils for the start of the new half term.



You can help by:

Please help your child to recall multiplication facts up to 12 x 12 and division facts.

On their Chromebook, they have MyMaths, Spelling Shed, Read Theory and TTRockstars to help them with any additional revision or practice.

Listening to your child read and sharing stories with them, as well as asking questions about the book. Encourage your child to try and compare their book to any others they have read or summarise their story as accurately as possible.

Helping your child with any further research they wish to do on the topics we are covering in school is always encouraged and a wonderful thing to do!