



Welcome to Year 6
with Mr Lancaster, Ms Toovey, Mrs
Davey and Mr Gibbons
September – October 2025



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.

Year 6 Evelyn Glennie

Mr Lancaster will be teaching Evelyn Glennie Class. Mr Gibbons will be teaching the class on Wednesdays.

Year 6 Georgia O'Keeffe

Ms Toovey will be teaching Georgia O'Keeffe Class Monday - Wednesday. Mrs Davey will be teaching the class Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Akhtar will be supporting both classes as a teaching assistant.

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 World War 2.

Maths:

This half term, we will first spend two weeks consolidating place value understanding of numbers up to 10 million. We will practise 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. We will then consolidate our understanding of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and practise different formal written methods for each.

Reading:

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

Reading books:

All children will have their own reading book chosen at their reading level. We would like you to send your child to school each day with it, along with their planner. It is expected that pupils read at least three times a week at home and that parents make a note in their planner to say that they have done this. Please take good care of all books sent home. Children will read once a week in school with a teacher or TA.

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 wear trainers on PE days.

Evelyn Glennie Class – Tuesday (indoor) and Wednesday (outdoor)

Georgia O'Keeffe Class– Wednesday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform, including school shoes or trainers that are completely black. On PE days, pupils must have an all-black PE kit, however on these days they can wear any colour trainers they wish. At the moment, the weather is very unpredictable so please ensure your child will be warm enough.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to speak to us on the door after school or ring the office and we will phone back as soon as possible; you can also message us on Class Dojo and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Important Dates:

- 22nd - 23rd October. Night Light Leeds, featuring artwork by some of our Year 6 pupils.
- Tuesday 21st October - Parents evening (and some appointments on Thursday 23rd October for Georgia O'Keeffe class).
- Thursday 23rd October 2025- School closes to pupils for the holidays.
- Friday 24th October 2025 - Teacher Training Day- School closed to all pupils.
- Monday 3rd November 2025 - 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 related division facts.

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. Don't just read your school reading book; read other books for pleasure too.

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!

Thank you very much for all of your help and support; it is much appreciated.