



March 2017

Year 6 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term. During this half term you will be invited to attend a parental consultation, giving you the opportunity to discuss your child's progress and their learning targets for the remainder of the year. In the meantime we will keep you informed about the subjects that your child will be studying throughout this half term, the homework, and any special events that will be taking place.

Homework

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of our homework schedule:

- Maths: set on a weekly basis and sent home on a Thursday, to be returned to school by the following Tuesday.
- Spelling: to be learnt, tested on a weekly basis, every Friday.
- Reading: children should read to an adult at home **at least three times a week**, with the reading record book completed in the appropriate way. Children gain points and house points for reading at home.
- Geography: Carry out a research project on a local high street. To be handed in on Thursday 23rd March.

Homework is an important part of your child's education and prepares Year 6 children for Secondary school. We hope we can count on your support.

Jewellery and uniform

Please could we remind you that children are allowed to wear stud earrings and a wrist watch only. Rings, necklaces, bracelets (other than those with religious significance) are not allowed. To avoid any loss of jewellery please ensure your child does not wear unsuitable items.

Please ensure children come to school wearing the correct school uniform. Black or grey trousers/skirts and **not** jogging bottoms or leggings. A white or blue polo shirt/shirt and a blue sweatshirt or cardigan.

PE

We would like to remind you of our PE timetable:

Class 10, 11 & 12: Tuesday and Thursday

We would appreciate it if the children could bring suitable PE kit on these days.

Important Dates for your diary

Week beginning	Monday	6 th	March	SATs Practice week
	Monday	20 th	March	Parent consultations
	Monday	8 th	May	SAT Test Week
	Monday	12 th	June	Woodlands Visit

24/03/17	School closed (professional development day for staff)
07/04/17	Visit from 'The Animal Man' and school closes for the Easter holiday
24/04/17	School opens for the summer term
01/05/17	School closed (May Day Bank Holiday)
05/06/17	School opens for the second half of the summer term
26/06/17	School closed (professional development day for staff)

Year 6 Spring 2 Curriculum Outline

Our Spring 2 curriculum outline is given on a separate sheet. If you have any queries relating to the curriculum in Year 6 please arrange a mutually agreeable time to see a member of the Year 6 staff.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued help and support.

Yours sincerely
Mrs T Headley
Year 6 Co-ordinator

Subject	Areas to be covered	Further detail
Maths	Number Calculations Shape, space and measures	Place value, fractions, decimals and percentages Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (written and mental calculations), including real life problems Units of measurement, angles and translations. Data handling. Geometry and 3d shape.
English	Reading Writing Spelling	Developing comprehension skills, finding and using information in texts and reading between the lines Improving the ability to write a variety of text types, narrative and non narrative Weekly spellings
Project: The Black Country	Art Computing Geography History PSHCE Science	Landscapes – rural and industrial, using a variety of media Designing and marketing an ‘app’ Use field work to observe the impact of industrialisation on the environment including an educational visit to Dudley Canal Trust Focus on industrialisation and transport Charity: helping people in the local area and beyond Classification: categorising living things including micro-organisms, plants and animals; reasoning based on characteristics
PE	Competitive games Badminton	Developing team skills Team skills development
RE	Easter	The importance of this festival for Christians