

Dear Parents, Carers and Year 6 Children,

I hope you all had a fantastic summer and are looking forward to the term and year ahead. Year 6 can be a challenging year but I will do my best to make everyone feel as comfortable, confident and happy as possible! In this half-termly newsletter, I will provide some key information about what to expect over the next few months.

## **PE and Outdoor Learning**

In the Autumn term, PE will take place on Fridays from 2:15 until 3:15. Outdoor learning will be every alternate Thursday starting on the 8<sup>th</sup> (the first week back). Year 6 are very lucky to have an extended outdoor learning slot from 9:00-10:45. Please ensure children are dressed appropriately for these sessions as the weather inevitably becomes colder and wetter.

## **Homework and Spellings**

This year, homework and spellings will be set on a Tuesday and children will be given one week to hand it in. I will provide homework books in the first week of term (I have found this useful as it stops children from misplacing loose sheets and ensures better presentation) and if they wish to hand in homework early, there is a homework box at the back of the room so work can be handed in at any time. In the autumn term, homework will be Maths related however, after Christmas, an additional SPAG or reading task will be added to help prepare the class for the workload of high school. Throughout the year, I will set occasional project homework's relating to our topics that may have a longer deadline. Spellings follow clear patterns and rules and will also be tested on Tuesdays. A full list of spellings for the half term can be found on Seesaw. I would also encourage children to read a book outside of school; even 10 minutes a day would be incredibly beneficial!

## **Assessment**

In Year 6, assessment week occurs in the penultimate week of every half term. During this week, children complete past SAT's papers under exam conditions using the same timetable as they will follow in their real SAT's. There is no pressure in these assessments; it is simply a good way to measure progress across the year, identify gaps in learning and familiarize children with the assessment process.

Year group plans and additional information can be found on the school website. Seesaw will be regularly updated throughout the year with examples of classwork, homework and assessment/visit information. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Thank you for your support,

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