Year 6 2022-23

Mrs Thomas (Class Japan / 14) Mr Higginson (Class Nepal/ 13)

Year 6 team

Mrs Telfer (Support Teacher)
Mrs Hussey (TA)
Mrs Davies (SEN TA)

Year 6

- A year full of challenges and opportunities
- A time to really develop, both academically and socially
- Independence, resourcefulness, responsibility
- Enjoyment
- We're a team in Year 6 all need to play our part if we are to get the most out of it.
 Oldest in school – set an example.

Structure of the year

- Terms 1, 2 and 3 developing of maths and English skills
- Term 4 developing and applying skills in preparation for SATs assessments (booster groups)
- Term 5 SATs tests (week beginning 8th May) and project work
- Term 6 Talent Show, transition to secondary schools and end of year celebration

Organisation

English: Taught in classes. Spelling groups and tests on Fridays.

Maths: Taught in groups, all covering the same curriculum but one group working at a faster pace. Groups will be flexible if needs demand. Smaller groups will also be working with Mrs Telfer throughout the year.

This Year's Topics....

- Planet Earth (Geography)
- Ancient Egypt (History)
- Living Things and their Habitat (Science)
- Animals including Humans (Science)
- Box of Memories (Design technology)
- Stone Age to Iron Age (History)
- Light and Electricity (Science)

Daily Structure

Springboard - the children are given daily independent working time where they can respond to marking, work on targets and improve their writing.

Guided Reading – we will be working through a variety of texts throughout the year. Our sessions will work primarily on improving comprehension skills across the year group. English – Our English lessons will involve reading and writing as well as looking at GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling). These often follow alongside a book we are looking at in class.

Daily Structure (continued)

Maths – in our maths lessons, we will work following the national curriculum.

The afternoons – Throughout our afternoons we will cover the broader curriculum which will includes a variety of lessons: P.E, R.E, P.S.H.E, French, Geography and History to name a few!



- Tuesdays currently but this may change throughout the year
- □ This term, martial arts on Wednesdays
- □ This term, yoga on Thursdays during enrichment
- Children to come into school dressed for PE on these days
- PE kit house-colour, plain t-shirt, shorts (indoors) joggers (if desired outside)
- Ear-rings must be removed after 6 weeks post piercing. Until then, please provide your child with tape to cover them.

Fruit and Water

- If children would like a snack at break-time, we would ask that it is just pieces or a piece of fresh fruit.
- It is important for your child to stay hydrated in school so it would be great if you can provide your child with a refillable water bottle.

How you can help

- Times tables There will be a big focus on this in school and would really appreciate any support you can offer at home. More information will follow.
- Reading Guided reading sessions happen daily. Children will have weekly opportunities to change their books in the library (currently Tuesday). Please bring reading books into school every day.
- Vocabulary we will encourage your children to be ambitious in their use of vocabulary. Please ensure that they are similarly ambitious in their homework.
- Encourage resourcefulness / independence

Homework

More information is going to be sent out but MyMaths should be resuming



Other Information

- School uniform Please make sure that your child is wearing correct school uniform. If they cannot, for any reason, please send in a note to let us know why.
- Jewellery Ear-rings studs only (no hoops) and nothing hanging. Taped for PE when new (6 weeks only after piercing), tape provided by parent. No decorative jewellery including rings, bracelets etc.
- □ Watches OK, but the child's responsibility.
- Lost property All named. Anything left at end of term must be reclaimed or will be disposed of. Please check that your child comes home with the correct garments!
- Mobile phones if needed (after school) they must be labelled and put in the 'phone box' at the start of the day. They will be stored in the office until 3:30pm.

Communication

Contact the school office (phone or email)
Speak to us in person after school
New website (start of October, fingers crossed)
School Facebook page

Twitter

Forest School – November and June

Sessions 1 and 2: Class 13 – 28th and 29th November Class 14 – 30th November and 2nd December

Sessions 3 and 4: Class $14 - 12^{\text{th}}$ and 13^{th} June Class $13 - 14^{\text{th}}$ and 16^{th} June

We are desperate for volunteers – without them, the sessions cannot go ahead. Please let the office know if you can help out!

Yearbook / End of Primary celebration

Over the course of the academic year, Year 6 pupils are given the opportunity to raise money for their commemorative yearbooks and an end-of-year event.

Any volunteers to take on the organisation of the yearbook would be greatly appreciated (it's a big job).



Some of the things to be aware of: Posting unkind messages (Facebook, Instagram, text) Uploading images onto Instagram (inappropriate images and using images without permission) Uploading films onto YouTube Accessing adult sites via Instagram and on mobile phones Playing age-inappropriate games online



- Please be vigilant
- Please talk to your child about these issues
- Experience has shown that while we do everything we can in school to teach the children about staying safe online, the message needs to be reinforced at home. Please see E-safety links on school website (includes information for parents and children)

Camp

- It's a pity about Monday but obviously, these things are out of our hands.
- Please let us know now if there are any last-minute medical of dietary changes
- Please pack with your child and label clothing
- No electrical devices please (except torches)
- £5 spending money (Max) and please limit the number of sweets/chocolates