



Welcome to Year 6!

Reaching the end of their days at primary school, marks a milestone for all of the children in Year 6. It is for this reason, I feel extremely excited and privileged to be the one who will be guiding them through their final year. For me, Year 6 is about preparing all of the children, in every possible way, for the next step in their education. Whether it be socially, emotionally or academically, I am here for them and for you, so please do not hesitate to come and find me if there are any issues or concerns. I will be always be more than happy to help.

Year 6 Staff

Mrs Swift (Class Teacher)

I have been teaching at Burscough Village Primary School for the past five years and I have enjoyed every second! I previously worked at a secondary school for ten years where I taught an array of subjects and therefore I feel very prepared for what the children can expect and what will be expected of them as they move to secondary school. This year I will be teaching the children for English, Maths, Guided Reading, Grammar, Spelling, History, Geography, Science and DT and I have lots of brilliant activities planned for them.

Mrs Rice (Class Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Rice and I will be joining together once again to work with Year 6 this year. Mrs Rice has many years' experience supporting children across all years at Burscough Village Primary School and has worked with this particular year group on many occasions. Mrs Rice will be supporting in class, working with small groups of children and providing one-to-one support. We are very lucky to have Mrs Rice as part of our team and I know the children will really value her support and encouragement (as do I!)

On a Thursday morning, Years 4-6 will be taking part in a 'creative carousel' whereby children will be taught certain subjects by teachers (who have specialisms in this area). Year 6 will be taught PE by **Mrs Logie**, Music and Spanish by **Mrs Rowlands** and Art and Computing by **Mrs Porter**.

On a Tuesday afternoon, **Mrs Prytherch** will teach both PE and RE to the pupils whilst I am having my planning time.

Important Information for Year 6

PE Days

Year 6 pupils will have PE on **Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning.**

Pupils should bring their full PE kit and trainers (please see school website for details) at the start of term and leave it in their locker until the end of the half-term.

If at any point PE kits need to go home for cleaning/after-school PE club etc., please ensure that they return to school the next day.

Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning outside of the classroom as well as helping them to develop their independence and organisational skills. In Year 6, it is particularly important that children get into good habits with this when preparing for secondary school.

Year 6 pupils will receive the following homework:

Maths & English - Children will be receiving English and Maths homework each week to support their SATs preparation. This homework should be completed on the paper booklet given to them. Homework will be given out on a **Friday** and it will need to be completed and the booklet handed in the following **Wednesday**. Children need to make sure that they look after their booklets in the plastic wallet provided to them.

Spellings – Every **Tuesday** children will receive 15 spellings which they will have to learn ready for a test the following **Monday**. A paper copy of the spellings will be given to pupils to enable them to practice at home. Alongside this, pupils will work on these spellings during lessons.

Reading – Pupils should try to read as frequently as possible. Whilst pupils will be reading independently, we still ask that they or yourselves record when they have read in their reading records, so we can keep track of how much they are doing at home. We will be checking this each **Friday**.

Important Dates

History Trip to Liverpool	November 2023 (date to be confirmed)
Robinwood Residential Trip	Wednesday 8 th Nov – Friday 10 th Nov
Year 6 SATs 2023	Monday 13 th May – Thursday 16 th May

Having taught the children during the final half-term, I know they are ready for the next step in their education and I am really excited to get to know them over the next year and for us to work as a team in supporting your children.

Best regards

Mrs Swift