## A huge warm welcome back to our new half term and school year to all of our lovely parents and Year 6 children!

Welcome back after a well-deserved summer break! We hope that the children are well rested and ready for a new term with lots of hard work, perseverance, and challenges ahead. The Year 6 students have settled into their new classrooms, routines and learning with increasing confidence, and most importantly, fantastic levels of resilience, determination and excitement for the year ahead.

It has been a fantastic experience for the teachers observing how positively Year 6 are tackling new challenges. In Year 6, we strive to promote independence. These are fundamental skills that will prepare them for high school and their future education. Through our weekly values assemblies, the children will be revisiting the VAAs (Values, Attitudes and Attributes) of aspirations, open minded, and helpful where links will be made to whole school events such as World Mental Health Day.

If you have any questions or need any support, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher by making an appointment or sending an e-mail.

## The Year 6 Team.

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## Specific information for the term:

Children must bring to school their Chapelford Book Bags or bags that are able to fit into the cupboard. At this point for health and safety reasons, we are unable to facilitate backpacks or rucksacks larger than these and these will not be able to remain in the classroom.

PE will take place each week on Mondays and Fridays. On these days your child will need to come to school in their PE kit as per the uniform guidance policy.

Children should not bring their own pencil cases or stationery into school as equipment is provided for the children.

If your child requires to bring their mobile phone into school, a mobile phone agreement must be signed and returned to school prior to this. Please see your child's class teacher should you require a copy of this. Children must not come into school in trainers or with jewellery. If your child needs to come for a particular reason, please discuss this with your child's class teacher.

This term, Year 6 have been focusing on developing their **High-Performance Learning (HPL) skills**. Pupils are learning how to tackle challenging problems step by step, reflect on mistakes, and try new strategies with confidence. We encourage you to talk with your child at home about how they approach tricky tasks — ask them how they "stick with it," what strategies they use when things feel difficult, and how they know when they've improved. These conversations help reinforce the growth mindset and learning behaviours that we are building in school.

F: Fearless
O: Open-Minded
R: Resilience
D: Dynamic

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In English, the children have the opportunity to look at 2 books that are enriched with heart-warming situations and significant history. Here, they will create diaries, letters and descriptive writing including the Year 5 and 6 objectives to support their writing.

The texts are: Star of fear, Star of hope Nour's Secret Library

In Maths, Year 6 will be focusing on the place value of digits. These numbers will include 7-digit numbers. Here, they will find out how to partition them in numerous ways and the value of each digit. Place value forms the fundamental knowledge that will be transferred across all areas of Maths. Year 6 will then be moving on to addition and subtraction throughout the Autumn 1 term.

In Science, the children will be studying Animals, including humans. Here, they will discover the circulatory systems in the body with a main focus on blood and its compartment.

In PE, Year 6 will be focusing on strengthening their athletics skills. It will have a developing focus of precision and control. This corresponds with their REAL PE unit of co-ordination, balance and agility.





During Art sessions, the children will be developing their sketching and drawing skills from previous years. This will then be accompanied by painting and collage work. They will be creating final artwork in the style of Frida Kahlo.

During DT sessions, they will be continuing their collaging knowledge but incorporating fabric and different textures.

History: Year 6 will be studying an aspect of British history. This will extend their chronological knowledge beyond 1066. Here, they will focus on Monarchs.

In Geography, the children will discover the structure of volcanoes and earthquakes. Learn how they are formed and why they are critical on the earth They will discover the impact these have on the environment.

In Computing, they will start to look at internet safety and how to stay safe online. They will do this by looking at computer networks.

In RE, the overarching question for Year 6 will be, *Is life like a journey?* Through this question, they will discover many different religions. The focus religion for Autumn 1 is Christianity God.

During PSHE, we will be ensuring the children are settling in to their routine positively. Alongside this, we will be learning about increased independence opportunities, family and relationships.

During Music, Year 6 will continue to practise their singing opportunities following the Charanga curriculum in particularly focusing on Pop/Soul Music.