

# Welcome to Year 6 Teachers



Mrs Amor 6A



Mrs Button 6B

## **Teaching Assistants**



Ms Hunt



Mrs Dennis

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#### Welcome

Welcome to Year 6! What a fabulous start to the term with all children embracing the challenges of Year 6. We have both been incredibly impressed with the positive attitude and desire to work hard that they have all demonstrated

#### Meet the team

Class 6A is taught by Mrs Amor Class 6B is taught by Mrs Button

Our teaching assistants in Year 6 are Ms Hunt and Mrs Dennis

#### Learning

In Term 1 our enquiry is 'What Makes a Great Team?' This means we will be learning about the importance of working together and ensuring everyone is included and respected as part of our Year 6 team.

#### Planning, Preparation and Assessment

All teachers are entitled to 10% Planning, Preparation and Assessment time (PPA). PPA time for Year 6 teachers is on Wednesday afternoon in Terms 1, 2 and 3. During these sessions your children will be taught by Mr Seaborne (P.E) and Mr Baigent (Art/Drama).

#### Overview of a typical day in Year 6

Morning Maths as the children arrive Maths Break English Spelling Lunch Whole Class Reading Science or foundation subjects including PSHE (Physical, Social and Health Education), RE, French, Music, Geography, History, PE, eSafety, DT

#### **Drinks and Snacks**

Please send your child with water and either fruit or vegetable as a snack for morning playtimes. Please name any snack pots or bags.

#### **Behaviour and Rewards**

In line with our behaviour policy, the traffic lights will continue to be used. This is a whole school system which encourages positive behaviour. If you would like any more information on this, please see the Behaviour Policy document on the school website or ask any member of our team. We will use house points across the school (Windsor Green, Clevedon Blue, Pulteney Yellow and Churchill Red) & Star of the Week certificates will be given out on Fridays. If we need to contact you about a behaviour issue we will phone you as it is not possible to speak in person at this time.

#### **Toilets**

We encourage the children to use the toilet at playtimes. Please let us know if there are any specific needs.

#### Supporting your child

Reading at home is imperative and needs to be completed daily to build stamina in preparation for secondary school. Spellings will be given out on September 18th and the children will be tested on them weekly on a Friday. Please continue to practise times tables every week to ensure fluency to support the Year 6 maths curriculum.

Due to the current situation and government safety guidelines we have reviewed our book change system in school. We remain committed to maintaining the high profile of reading and want to ensure that every child always has a book to read or share at home on every day of the week.

From Monday 14th September we will introduce the following system for changing books in Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Please ensure that the Reading Record and reading books are kept in book bags and brought to school every day. If you have any questions about your child's reading, or their progress, please email the class teacher rather than writing comments in the book. Please see over the page for Newbridge 'Must Reads'.

If your child is reading levelled books the system for changing them is as follows: Monday – Your child will choose a levelled reading book. This must be returned on the Thursday of the same week. Thursday – your child will choose a library book. This must be returned on the following Monday.

**Home learning:** Future home learning activities will be shared with you shortly along with weekly spellings lists. The school will continue to subscribe to Doodle English for each pupil and is very soon going to purchase Doodle Maths for each pupil.

#### **P.E.**

Our P.E. days are **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Children should come to school in P.E. kit on these days Children can currently wear trainers for P.E. and can wear leggings or tracksuit bottoms on cold days. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered with tape provided from home.

#### What to bring

Water bottles, waterproof coats, reading books and reading record books should be brought to school every day. In Year 6, children do not need to bring in their own pencil cases as equipment is provided. **Please ensure all items of clothing and belongings are named.** 

#### Inhalers

If your child needs an inhaler please check they have an in date one in school and that you have filled out an indemnity form. This can be found on the school website via the following link https://www.newbridge.bathnes.sch.uk/school-life/useful-forms

#### Website

Please write to the school office if you do not want your child's photograph to be used on the website.

#### To Be Decided

All school trips, including Year 6 residential, are on hold at the moment and as soon as we have any further information we will let you know.

#### Contacting us

If you wish to speak to us about any worries or concerns, however small, please do not hesitate to contact the school office on **newbridge\_pri@bathnes.gov.uk** 

We will endeavour to give your child as many opportunities as we can this year and are looking forward to seeing each of them shine as they always have done!



Again this year, we are working on fostering a love of reading throughout the school. To this end we have chosen six books that we would like every child to read or have read to them over the year. These books have been carefully chosen by their class teachers and it is hoped that every child will, by July, have read every one.

Thank you very much for your anticipated support! The English team

The list of the books chosen for Year 6 is as follows

