

Welcome to Year 6 Autumn term



The Curlews

Welcome back to the new academic year! I hope that you have all had a lovely holiday and are ready for the busy year ahead! As your child settles into year 6 we hope that the information in this letter will answer some of the questions you may have about the next few weeks.

During Year 6 we encourage the children to become as independent as possible in preparation for secondary school, developing maturity, responsibility and organisational skills. We give them many responsibilities in school; helping the younger children at dinner time and playtimes and supporting the staff with a whole range of jobs around the school. Over the next few weeks, children will be chosen for various responsibilities including House Captains and School Councillors. We expect our pupils in Year 6 to set a good example to all children in school, emphasising the importance of good manners, behaviour and a smart appearance.



Your son/daughter has been given a Homework/Reading Diary which will be updated daily with the subjects covered and details of any homework that we expect them to complete as well as a space for them to record their reading. Homework should be returned by the date requested, which in Year 6 is every Monday morning. If there is a particular reason why homework cannot be completed, please make a note in the diary or pop in to see me. Alongside this the children are expected to spend at least 20 minutes reading each night, where possible, or at least 3 times each week. They should record this reading in their diaries on the opposite page to their homework. Staff will check these books regularly and will also update their Accelerated Reader levels and reading ages in these books so you can see the progress your child is making.

Mrs Biggs will teach the class on Thursday and Friday afternoons and Mrs Newton will be our Teaching Assistant in Year 6.

P.E kit should be in school at all times in a named <u>draw-string</u> bag and our PE lessons will take place on <u>Thursdays</u> and <u>Fridays</u>.

Our topic this half term is based around survival and our class novel will be The Nowhere Emporium. Please refer to the curriculum overview on the website for further information.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me in school via the office or please feel free to catch me at the end of the school day if you have any worries or are unsure about anything.

Mrs Stainton and Mrs Newton



