



# Year 6 Newsletter to Parents

## Autumn 2020



Welcome back! We are all so happy to have you back in school, and hope that you have come back feeling refreshed and ready for the year to come. We have been working hard to plan lots of interesting lessons and activities for you. Here is an overview of what will be happening this term.

### Year 6 Staff

#### St Matthew's

Miss Gilligan and Mrs Shields

#### St Margaret's

Mr Fielder and Mrs Parker

### The School Day

This term you will not need to bring anything into school other than your water bottle, your phone (if you have signed the form) and your lunch (if you are not having school dinners). Please do not bring in any big bags or rucksacks.

### Homework Expectations

Over the past year we have made a few changes to our homework provision, some of which you were introduced to during lockdown. Instead of MyMaths, we will be using **Maths Factor** and instead of Spellodrome, we will be using **Spelling Shed**. We would also like you to continue using Bug Club for weekly reading activities

	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Spelling</b>	<b>Grammar</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Times Tables</b>
<b>Year 6</b>	Reading daily for 15-20 minutes  At least 2 of these sessions on Bug Club	Spelling Shed  (You will have 10 words to revise, use Spelling Shed as much as you can)	Grammar Bug  (Complete at least 2 sessions a week)	Maths Factor  (Complete at least 2 sessions a week)	Times table Rock Stars  (As much as you can)

### Where to access the homework:

Your Maths, Grammar and Reading homework can all be found on Active Learn:

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/login?c=0>

Spelling homework can be found on Ed Shed - <https://www.edshed.com/> (There is also a Spelling Shed app).

Times Table Rock Stars - <https://trockstars.com/> (There is also an app).

### Reading homework

We expect our pupils to read for 15-20 minutes per day to support their learning at school. Through reading and hearing stories, children are exposed to a wide range of words. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding when they read, which is vital as they continue to develop their narrative writing. As we cannot use reading records at the moment, we would ask that a minimum of 2 of your daily reading sessions are completed using Bug Club.



**P.E days/ Field day** St Margaret's and St Matthew's PE day is on a Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure that your child comes into school wearing a school tracksuit and appropriate footwear.

## Medical and SEND information

We ask that any medication or asthma pumps are in school. Any medical or SEND information needs to be emailed to the school office – Addressed to Mrs Balcombe.

## Our Topics this Term:

	RE	English	Maths	CLC	Science	Bounce Back
<b>Autumn 1</b>	Family: Loving	Kensuke's Kingdom By Michael Morpurgo	Place Value  Four Operations	Where shall we sail to?	Animals Inc. humans – Circulatory System	Mental health and well being  Core Values
<b>Autumn 2</b>	Belonging: Vocation and Commitment	Refugee Boy By Benjamin Zephaniah	Fractions  Geometry	How can we heal world's conflicts?	Evolution and Inheritance	People Bouncing Back  Courage

## Key Dates for Autumn Term:

- Whole school virtual Harvest Assembly – **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September**
- Mid-term reports – **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October**
- Parent phone consultations – **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October**
- Training day – School closed – **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**
- Half term – **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October**
- Return to school - **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**
- Children's photographs (singles) - **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November**
- Whole school virtual Remembrance Service - **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November**
- Christmas Jumper Day – **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**
- Last day of term & Mid-term reports – **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

