



Year 6 Spring Newsletter



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Happy New Year!

Welcome back to a new year and a new term! I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas. Thank you so much for your generous gifts - they were so appreciated and Mrs Hall and I felt very lucky! This term is an important one for the children as a lot of learning and progress will be made over the next few months. I will also be continuing to help the children to develop greater independence and take ownership of their learning in preparation for them heading off to high school later this year!



Reading



To support the children to make progress this year, please encourage them to read, read and read! The bigger variety in authors and styles, the better!

I can't emphasise enough how much reading impacts children's learning in all subjects and it is the single biggest thing that they can do at home to help themselves prepare for the demands of Year 6 and SATs.

A wide vocabulary is key this year so please talk to children about any words they don't understand and encourage them to use any new words to embed them further.

Spellings

Spellings are another important area of focus for the children. Children will continue to have a SCODE spelling lesson each day.

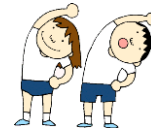
A list of focus words for each half term can be found on the class page on the school website. A list of common exception words for Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 has also been sent home with your child if you'd like to support them to improve spelling further.

P.E.

Please ensure your child comes in wearing their kit on the days they have P.E. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be covered.

Our P.E days are:

Monday and Wednesday



Homework



Children write down what homework they have for the week in their homework diaries. Homework will link to work completed in class and provide children with extra opportunities to practise and embed learning. **Homework is flexible, not optional!** This means that if children have a particularly busy week or a special event, they may not complete homework that week and can then catch up the following week when they have more time. I can monitor whether children are engaging with the work set and will chat to them if they are consistently not completing homework. Home Learning is on the website and is also handed out at the beginning of term. It allows your child to pursue their own interests linked to our termly topic. Children will then present this in the home learning gallery, where all parents are invited to come and see the children's hard work. The gallery this term will be held on **Monday 7th April** after school and **Tuesday 8th April** before school.

Spring Term Theme

Our theme this term is called "Battle of Britain" It is split into two main areas of focus. This half term, we will be looking at the Battle of Britain and The Blitz and next half term, we will be focusing on The Windrush Empire and life for refugees in Britain after the war.



Website

Our newsletters, home learning sheets, useful websites and updates on our learning can be viewed on our very own Class 6 page!

SATs - SATs will be going ahead in the second week of May. Later in the year, there will be a meeting to give you more information about this. (I will keep you updated about the exact date.) Please don't worry as the children are all working so hard and trying their very best, which is the most important thing!

To support your child at home, please keep reading together, practising times tables and encouraging them to do their homework carefully and thoughtfully. Discussing what they've learnt at school is also a great way to get them to recap and remember their learning as are educational online games and apps.

Please ensure children are in school every day as much as possible - good attendance will really help them to reach their potential and succeed.

Staff in Year 6

Teacher: Miss Cutler

Teaching Assistant:

Mrs Hall (shared between Y5 & 6)

If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch in person after school, via telephone or email: cutler.kl@welearn365.com

Thank you for your continued support.
Miss Cutler ©

Dates for your diary

FOREST SCHOOL

Monday 13th January

Monday 10th February

Monday 24th March

OTHER DATES

Tuesday 14th January - Young Voices Concert

Tuesday 11th February and Thursday 13th February - Parents Evening

Friday 14th February - break up for half term

Monday 24th February - back to school

Friday 4th April - Home learning due in

Monday 7th April and Tuesday 8th April - Home Learning Gallery

Thursday 10th April - WW2 Day - Children are invited to come to school dressed as an evacuee, a soldier or in the 1940s style.

They will spend the day taking part in activities linked to WW2 lead by Historic Workshops.

Friday 11th April - break up for Easter/Easter service and bonnet parade