



Trawden Forest Primary - School Newsletter

Every child matters; every moment counts.

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Dear Parents/Guardians,
We have had a wonderful first couple of days in school and I am delighted to be getting to know the class. I'm sure they will settle in well and soon get to grips with the new routines. It has been lovely to meet some of you at the end of the day and I'm sure we will get to know each other well over the course of what will be the last year for your child at Trawden. This week we have made a start on the Year 6 curriculum: the children have been working really hard. We have an extremely exciting and busy half term planned.
Thank you, Mrs Clarke and Miss Gallagher
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Homework:

Homework in Year 6 is given as and when required using personalised learning journals, this means that sometimes your child will receive additional homework to the weekly homework.

Weekly homework:

- Spellings: Your child will receive 15 spellings to learn each week. The spellings will need to be learnt along with the meaning – this is to ensure your child can use the word in context. There will be spelling test on a Friday. Your child also has a list of National Curriculum words for Year 5 and 6 that they need to learn alongside their weekly spellings – I recommend that they choose 5 each week to learn.
- Reading: Please support your child at home by encouraging them to read daily. They will have a school reading book that will be changed as required – this should be at least once a week depending on the length of it! Children will log their own reading on Seesaw and I will monitor this.

Reminders:

- Please ensure that your child has a bottle of water every day, labelled with their name.
- Doors will be opened by a member of staff at 8.45am and the children will line up and enter with a member of the Year 6 team. At the end of the day children can be collected or walk home alone, if you have signed the agreement.
- Please be aware that Year 6 is a vital year for your child. It is really important that they are in school every day. There is a huge amount of work to cover and any absences mean that they are missing vital parts of their education.
- Please try to arrange any appointments out of school hours.

SATS



SATS will be going ahead this academic year. They are due to take place in the week beginning 8th May 2023.

8/5/23 - Spelling and Grammar paper

9/5/22 – Reading paper

10/5/22 - Arithmetic and Reasoning paper 1

13/5/22 - Reasoning paper 2

Writing will be assessed using teacher assessment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to me.



13th September – Roald Dahl Day – dress up if you like

19th October – Halloween Disco

31st October - ONLINE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION DEADLINE

11th November - Year 6 Remembrance Assembly

15th November – Anti-bullying week

9th May - SATs

English – We will be studying ‘A Monster Calls’ by Patrick Ness and writing our own version of the story. Our grammar focus this half term will begin by recapping prior learning and building on this to ensure the children are able to use the full range of Year 6 punctuation properly. It is vital that your child still continues to read at home on a daily basis.

Maths – In the first half term we will be focusing on place value and the use of the four operations. Children will also revisit skills from last year and will have skill practise to revise anything they may need more help with.

Science – We will be based on classification using Linnaeus’ methodology to classify animals and plants and the methods of classification across the living world.

Computing – We will be looking at online safety and how to keep ourselves safe when online as well as thinking about the impact of online bullying.

RE – We will focus on Buddhism and as well as thinking about our own place within the world.

Art – this term our art work will be based on drawing. We will be looking at the local artist, Keith Melling and creating different images of our local area.

Geography - We will be looking at Trawden and its place within the UK. We will be developing our mapping skills using six-digit grid references as well as looking at how Trawden has changed over the last 100 years. We will also consider the impact these changes have had on the local economy and consider the impact of these changes for us.

PSHE – we will be learning about feelings and the management of them.

PE – The sessions will be on a Thursday afternoon. This half term we will be focussing on ball games and the importance of a healthy lifestyle.

Trainers: Please make sure that your trainers are in school **every day**.



Please label all items in your child’s PE kit and ensure it is in school every day.

Year 6 Book List:

A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness

Kensuke’s Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

**The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad
By Saviour Pirotta**

**The Trials of Apollo
By Rick Riordan**

Forest School

We will visit be attending Forest school on a Wednesday this half-term.

Please ensure children come to school in suitable clothing in school for all weathers Please also include a scarf, hat and gloves for the colder weather.