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Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter: Spring Term

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Dear parents and carers,

Happy New Year to you all. The Autumn Term whizzed past, and our attention now turns firmly towards SATs and transition to secondary school. The children and I are giving everything we've got to be the best that we can be. This is a crucial term for the children. Please read the below reminders about Year 6 along with some ways of supporting your child throughout the term.



Wellies (and cold-weather clothing)

When the field is wet and/or muddy, the children must change into their wellies to access the field. This prevents mud being brought back into school as well as children spending part of their day in damp shoes and socks.

Please ensure that your child has a warm coat, gloves and a warm hat.

Lunchtime football



Year 6's lunchtime football slot is Tuesday lunchtimes on weeks where it is also Forest School that Friday, which is quite helpful for remembering. Please ensure that if your child wants to play, they need a change of clothes and a change of footwear. Metal studs are not permitted. If your child does not have this for their football slot, they will not be allowed to play.

Our football slots are on a Tuesday on the following dates:

January – 6th, 20th

February – 3rd, 24th

March – 10th, 24th

Enrichment activities



Each term, as part of the curriculum, your child will participate in Forest School with Mrs North and Art/DT lessons with Ms Hicks. Your child will participate in both sessions. Therefore, your child will always need to bring in their Forest School clothing for that day (old clothing suitable for outdoor learning, wellington boots, waterproofs etc.). Please ensure Forest School clothing is clearly named.

Our sessions are on a Tuesday on the following dates:

January – 9th, 23rd

February – 6th, 27th

March – 13th, 27th

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Starting time

Our school doors open at **8:40am** and lessons start promptly at **8:55am**. This means that your child can benefit from 15 minutes of additional learning each day. In Year 6, we usually use that time to practise key skills in maths, reading, or writing. Please make sure that your child arrives on time to make the most of their learning experience.



PE kit

Children will come into school in their PE kit on their PE days. PE kit consists of black shorts or leggings, a white t-shirt, a black hoodie (or jumper), and trainers. **Please ensure that this is named.** Year 6 will have PE on a Tuesday morning. This term's PE units are netball and gymnastics.



School uniforms

This should be always worn apart from PE days. This includes black or grey trousers/skirt/shorts and a white or blue polo shirt. In addition, a royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan can be worn, and shoes should be black. **These should be named.** No jewellery other than watches and ear studs should be worn.



Healthy school

We are part of the Food for Life initiative and know that children learn best when they are fuelled with a balanced, nutritional diet. Children should bring in **fruit** or **vegetable** snacks for breaktime, and bottles filled with **water** only. We are a nut-and-seed-free school.



Water bottles

All children should bring a named water bottle every day. We ask children to take their water bottles home every night and bring them the next morning. This will ensure they are regularly cleaned.



Homework

This consists of reading 5 times a week, oracy topics, spellings, and times tables. Ten minutes per week on Times Tables Rock Stars is perfect. Their spellings will be sent out each week and we focus on a set of 12 words that use the same sound. Children can also practise their spellings if they wish to.



Reading diaries

These are checked every Friday to ensure that children who read at least 5 times a week are entered into the prize draw. This can be done independently; if your child writes in their diary every time they read, now they are getting older, you can just sign their diary after checking it.

<p><u>English</u></p> <p>The Assassin (narrative)</p> <p>Balanced argument</p> <p>Letter of complaint</p> <p>Narrative</p> <p>Grammar, punctuation and spelling throughout</p>	<p><u>Maths</u></p> <p>Coordinates2</p> <p>2D shape</p> <p>Angle</p> <p>Area and perimeter</p> <p>Ratio and algebra</p> <p>Time</p> <p>Circles and BIDMAS</p> <p>Mean</p> <p>Daily basic skills practice</p> <p>An ongoing focus on all times tables (to 12 x 12)</p>	<p><u>Science</u></p> <p>Evolution and Inheritance</p> <p>Electricity</p>	<p><u>Art/Design and Technology</u></p> <p>Drawing: Making My Voice Heard</p> <p>Digital World: Navigating the World</p>	<p><u>PE</u></p> <p>Netball</p> <p>Gymnastics</p>
<p><u>History</u></p> <p>Richard III</p> <p><u>Geography</u></p> <p>The Amazon Rainforest</p>	<p><u>RE</u></p> <p>What matters most to Christians and Humanists?</p>	<p><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Introduction to spreadsheets</p>	<p><u>PSHE</u></p> <p>Keeping safe</p> <p>Rights and respect</p>	<p><u>Music</u></p> <p>Rhythm</p>

Please feel free to contact me through the school office with any queries or concerns. Big term – let’s do it together!

Best wishes,

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