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## How can you help your child?

There are many different ways you can help your child with their learning, including:

- Recall of times tables facts
- Recall of spellings of Year 5 and 6 words
- Reading regularly and asking questions about what they are reading

Please also try to ensure that your child:

- Is at school, on time, for the start of school each day,
- Has the correct school uniform and P.E kit,
- Brings their reading book and journal into school each day.

Members of staff

- ☐ Miss Ash (Class teacher)
- ☐ Miss Burgoyne (Class teacher)
- ☐ Mrs Poole (TA in 6DB)
- ☐ Mrs Jones (HLTA in 6AA)

## Year 6 Autumn Term

Welcome back to the new school year. We hope you had a lovely summer break and are safe and well.

Year 6 is a vital year in your child's education. This leaflet is designed to offer information about what your child will be learning this year and how you can help to support your child's learning at home. We have included information about what we will be covering in Year 6, across all subjects, during our first term.

We will be working hard over the coming weeks to help your child to make accelerated progress in order to catch up on the learning they may have missed during the school closures. Additionally, this year your child will be sitting the SATs papers and therefore much time will be spent preparing them for these tests so they attain the best possible outcome for them.

Your child will have a reading book, which should be read as much as possible. Children also have access to Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars via their log-ins. If you require a log in for these, please speak to a member of staff.

## English

The children will continue to develop their comprehension skills in reading, using inference and deduction to answer questions about the text. They will discuss the language and structural features of books, considering how authors use language to create effect and the differences and similarities between text types.

In writing activities, the children will be working extremely hard to improve the skills they need to write interestingly and successfully in different genres. They will be encouraged to: use powerful vocabulary and complex punctuation; write complex sentences using varying clause structures and use a range of cohesive devices.

## Science

In science this term we will be studying light. They will be able to:

- Recognise that light appears to travel in straight lines and use this to explain that objects are seen because they give out or reflect light to the eye,
- Explain that we see things because light travels from sources, to objects, to our eyes,
- Explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them.

They will plan enquiries, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary; take measurements with increasing accuracy and precision and use test results to make predictions to set up further comparative and fair tests.

## Maths

The children will continue to develop calculation skills and use these to solve multi-step problems, choosing the appropriate operation and method. They will work with fractions, decimals, percentages, negative numbers and integers to 10,000,000.

The children will also learn how to: convert between standard units of measure; find missing angles in triangles and on straight lines; describe positions on the full coordinate grid; draw and translate simple shapes and interpret pie charts and line graphs.

## Theme

The theme for this term will be 'Blitz and Pieces'. The children will learn about the factors that led to the start of the war and find out about the countries that were involved.

We will research life during World War 2 and how key events changed the British way of life, look at the factors to why war broke out and how evacuees felt, the home front, the impact of rationing and the Blitz.

Children will be using map skills to locate countries, carry out DT and artwork centred on the home front and explore chronology when using timelines to look at how the events of the war unfolded.

## Music

In music this term we will be looking at different songs and music from the time of the Second World War. Children will be learning songs from that time period and work within a small group to put together a performance.

## Useful Websites:

[www.bbc.co.uk/schools](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools)

[www.mathszone.co.uk](http://www.mathszone.co.uk)

[www.ict.games.co.uk](http://www.ict.games.co.uk)

[www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/)

[www.studychamps.com/interactive-activities/english-interactive](http://www.studychamps.com/interactive-activities/english-interactive)

[www.grammar-monster.com/](http://www.grammar-monster.com/)

## P.E

In PE we will be focusing on developing children's ball handling skills and reactions by looking at different sports such as hand tennis.

## Don't Forget...

Children have online access via their logins to both Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars. It is encouraged that they make the most of these home learning resources where they can.

PE kits **must be worn to school** on a **Tuesday**. Children will no longer be getting changed into their PE kits at school and so they must be worn into school ready for the lesson. This includes their trainers or pumps. Children are able to wear jogging bottoms in cold weather.

Year 6 children are expected to arrive at school at **8:45am** and be collected at **3:00pm**.