



Welcome to Year 6 with Mr Lancaster, Ms Toovey, Mrs Davey



November – December 2024

Year 6 Update

We hope you have all managed to have a lovely half term break and are ready for another busy half term! This half term, our topic is Lighthouses, and we will be completing lots of exciting and interesting work in our Writing, Geography, Science and Design and Technology. We are also going on residential this half term too!

Year 6 Chris Packham

Mr Lancaster will be teaching Chris Packham Class. Mrs Davey will be teaching the class on Wednesdays.

Year 6 Anne Frank

Miss Toovey will be teaching Anne Frank Class Monday - Wednesday . Mrs Davey will be teaching the class Thursday and Friday.

Miss Jones and Mr Gibbons will be teaching and running interventions across Year 6.

English:

In our writing lessons, we will be writing our own enlightenment-themed stories after watching an animation about a lighthouse keeper. The grammar features we will continue to use in our writing will be semi-colons, relative clauses, cohesion between paragraphs and parenthesis, as well as passive voice and varied sentence structures. We will also be writing senses-themed poems as well as an explanation text.

Maths:

This half term, we will be learning how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions; calculate percentages; add and subtract decimals and multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000.

Reading:

This half term, our class novel is 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. We will be exploring the text in detail and using it to answer different styles of comprehension questions.

Reading:

All children will have their own reading book chosen at their reading level. We would like you to send your child to school each day with it, along with their planner. The children will also get to choose a pleasure read from our class library each week. Please take good care of all books sent home.

Please make sure that you sign your child's reading record in their planner at least 3 times a week in order to have their book changed.

PE:

This half term, both classes will be playing **tennis** in their outdoor PE lesson and doing **dancing** in the school hall. For outdoor PE sessions, children are welcome to bring in any warmer clothing such as jogging bottoms or a hoodie/tracksuit. It is essential that all children bring trainers or pumps on PE days.

Chris Packham Class – Monday (outdoor) and Thursday (indoor)

Anne Frank Class– Tuesday (indoor) and Thursday (outdoor)

Chromebooks

Please make sure your child's Chromebook is **charged every night** before they come to school. This is really important to ensure that they can access any learning that takes place whilst in school. Pupils are not allowed to share devices for safeguarding purposes. If your child has lost their charger please let their teacher know so they can sort a replacement.

Uniform

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform, including school shoes or trainers that are completely black. On PE days, pupils must have an all-black PE kit, however on these days they can wear any colour trainers they wish. At the moment, the weather is very unpredictable so please ensure your child will be warm enough.

Homework:

Each week, children in Year 6 will receive maths and grammar homework. Details of when it is given out will be communicated to you on Class Dojo.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to speak to us on the door after school or ring the office and we will phone back as soon as possible; you can also message us on Class Dojo and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

The Year 6 team

Important Dates:

- 9th – 11th December – Residential at Lineham Farm
- 20th December – Christmas Party
- Assessment week – 2nd December – 6th December
- Friday 20th December 2024 – School closes to pupils for the holidays
- Monday 6th January 2025 – School opens to pupils for the start of the new term

**You can help by:**

Please help your child to recall multiplication facts up to 12 x 12 and division facts.

On their Chromebook, they have IXL, PurpleMash, Spelling Shed, Read Theory, TTRockstars and My Maths to help them with any additional revision or practice.

Listening to your child read and sharing stories with them, as well as asking questions about the book. Encourage your child to try and compare their book to any others they have read or summarise their story as accurately as possible.

Helping your child with any further research they wish to do on the topics we are covering in school is always encouraged and a wonderful thing to do!

Thank you very much for all of your help and support; it is much appreciated.