

8th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers of children in Year 6,

Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Autumn 2023 1st Half

It has been lovely to welcome the children into Year 6 and we are pleased to say that they are already settling well into routines. Teaching Class 13 this year is Miss Telfer with Mrs Morris, Mrs Woricker and Miss Sobhani as the teaching assistants. Miss Joomun will be teaching Class 14 with Miss Pope and Ms Hore assisting.

Maths:

As in previous years, the school is using a program called 'Times Tables Rockstars' to help consolidate children's multiplication and division facts for all their times tables up to 12 x 12. For those children who are already confident with these facts, the program will help them to increase their recall speed. A secure knowledge of times tables will allow the children to become fluent mathematicians and will help them access the Year 6 curriculum. You can access the website via our school website or at: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/29424>

Reading:

We would like to remind you of how important it is to encourage your child to read on a daily basis and welcome you to make an entry in your child's reading diary as they read at home. In Year 6, children have the opportunity to change their books daily and therefore will be required to have their current reading book and reading diary in school with them at all times as this will help support the Accelerated Reader programme which we run in school. It is important for us to ensure that daily reading is taking place both at school and at home in order to increase the children's reading pace and stamina in this important school year. Reading is monitored by teachers regularly and feedback is given to children. Throughout the year, we will be working hard to improve our class reading minutes and we hope to win the Upper Key Stage 2 Reading Trophy which is awarded on a weekly basis.

PE kit:

Your child will need to come to school wearing appropriate clothing and footwear for indoor PE on Tuesdays (Gymnastics) and outdoor PE on Thursdays (Games). Trainers will be required for outdoor sessions. We believe that children can nearly always take part in a PE lesson in some capacity if they are able to attend school. Our policy is that children will take part in PE lessons unless a doctor's note advises in writing against it. Earrings are not permitted to be worn in PE and long hair should be tied up.

Home Learning ideas:

Please see the document with some starter home learning ideas for this half-term. If your child has worked on a home learning project, we are asking that they bring it in so that it can be shared with the class.

General reminders:

- Please ensure your child has a clear plastic water bottle and this is brought to school daily. Children are able to refill these in school.
- If your child is being collected by someone different, please contact the office to let them know.

We are always happy to speak with parents. Please do catch us at the end of the day if you have a quick question or alternatively contact the office.

Yours sincerely,
Sarah Joomun and Rachel Telfer
Year 6 teachers