

YEAR 6 AUTUMN OVERVIEW

Welcome to Year 6!

We're excited to be working with you and your child during this important final year of primary school. It's a time for celebrating how far they've come, preparing for the transition to secondary school, and making lasting memories. Year 6 is full of opportunities—for growth, leadership, and achievement. From SATs preparation to special events and responsibilities, your child will be challenged, supported, and encouraged every step of the way. We value your support and look forward to working in partnership with you to make this a successful and memorable year. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions or concerns.

HOMework

Homework plays a key role in helping your child consolidate their learning and build independence in preparation for secondary school. We ask that you encourage your child to complete their tasks on time, provide a quiet space when possible, and support them where needed.

If your child is ever unsure or struggling, please let us know before the day the homework is due. We're here to help and want homework to be a positive, manageable experience for everyone. Please see your child's Contact Book for our homework timetable.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25th September - Individual photos
23rd October at 4:30pm - PTA Disco
6th November at 2:40pm - 6S Class Assembly
13th November at 2:40pm - 6P Class Assembly
24th-25th November at 3:15pm - Parent Book Looks
26th-28th November - Parent Consultations
28th November - Decoration Day
3rd December - Christmas Dinners
4th December - Film Night
12th December - PTA Christmas Fair
16th-17th December - PTA Christmas Elf Stalls
19th December - Santa dress-up day

FRIENDSHIP WEEK

As part of Friendship Week, we'll be exploring the theme of identity, kindness, and self-acceptance through the thought-provoking book *Can I Build Another Me?* by Shinsuke Yoshitake.

This imaginative story encourages children to reflect on what makes them unique, how others see them, and how we build meaningful relationships by being true to ourselves. Throughout the week, Year 6 will be taking part in discussions and creative activities that promote self-awareness, empathy, and respectful friendships.

OUR TOPICS



HISTORY - Victorian Life

SCIENCE - Living Things and Their Habitats: Classification and Light



ENGLISH

Writing: We explore a period in history through the classic text 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty. To deepen our understanding of the characters and plot, we step into their shoes through role play and drama, progressing to write setting descriptions, newspaper reports and diary entries in character.

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling: Building on our learning in Year 5, we develop our understanding of the Place Value of Punctuation and Grammar, including work classes, the use of adverbs and modal verbs to indicate degrees of possibility, recognise and use expanded noun phrases, and more.



MATHS

Maths teaching provides a clear, structured approach that builds fluency, reasoning, and problem-solving skills step by step. This term we will be focusing on:

- Place Value
- Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division
- Fractions
- Converting units

Each lesson starts with a recap of previous learning. We also continue our times table and arithmetic learning and practise.



SPELLINGS

Each week, children will be given a set of spellings to learn at home, with a focus on patterns, rules and tricky words.

We encourage regular practice at home to help build accuracy and confidence. Children will be tested on their weekly spellings every Thursday.

Additionally, we continue to focus on accurate spelling and application of words in the Year 3-6 statutory spelling lists. Children will be able to practise these and their weekly spellings on Spelling Shed.



COMPUTING

Whilst developing our understanding of how to deal with online bullying, we will be learning how to use a spreadsheet to plan an event and use more complex variables in coding.



D & T

Cooking and Nutrition: Come dine with me

Beginning by exploring taste and complimentary flavours, we will then progress to research, design and make a three course meal.



MUSIC

With a focus on the song 'You've Got a Friend' by Carole King, we will listen and appraise a variety of songs by this composer, then learn to sing, play instrumental parts, improvise and compose.



GUIDED READING

We're pleased to let you know that this term we'll be continuing with Guided Reading sessions each week.

Children will work in small groups, focusing on a shared text. These sessions allow us to explore reading in more depth through targeted questioning, helping to develop comprehension skills such as inference, prediction, vocabulary and summarising.



SCIENCE

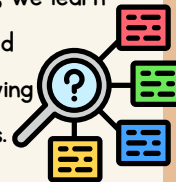
Classification

Inspired by the work of Carl Linnaeus, we learn how animals and plants can be classified using a classification key, investigate living organisms and classify microorganisms.



Light

Through theoretical and practical investigation, we discover the role light plays in: how we see objects and colour; reflection; and refraction.



P.E

Swimming: In the pool, we will be continuing to master the three main strokes; developing our technique and stamina.

Indoor P.E: Indoors, we will be focusing on our approach to well-being and mindfulness to help us to feel calmer, happier and more confident.

Outdoor P.E: Outdoors, we will be developing our passing and footwork skills in football and netball; applying these skills to matches.

