## Year Six Autumn Term Newsletter - September 2023



Year 6 is a busy and enjoyable year for both pupils and staff. The Year 6 team have been pleased with the positive start the children have made and we are looking forward to a successful year.

EQUIPMENT - A reminder that children can bring a small pencil case, a glue stick and a reading book. These should be small enough to fit into their trays or their bags.

Please make sure your child also has a water bottle and a fruit snack every day.

## CURRICULUM

English - Over the Autumn term we will be linking our writing to our WW2 topic. Looking at diary entries, descriptive writing and newspaper report writing we will be taking on different perspectives on the war. Later in Autumn, we write narratives building atmosphere using figurative language. Our whole class reading book is Wonder - we will be doing writing around Wonder also.

Maths -We will continue to consolidate and develop key skills in all areas. Other topics include: place value; division and multiplication; real life problems, fractions, decimals and percentages; data handling and shape and space work.

Science - We explore living things and their habitats and how to classify different groups starting with sweets!

History - Our history topic is WW2. We will concentrate on the Home Front including evacuation, The Blitz, rationing and propaganda. We will be having Evacuation Day on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. All details were provided at the end of the term.

Computing - This term we will be looking at online safety and Technology in our Lives.

Art - Art begins with a look at figures and the paintings of Henry Moore and create a small replica of one of his statues. In DT we plan, create and evaluate cam toys.

PE - Indoor PE will be swimming this term. Our outdoor PE lessons will focus on athletics and implementing the skills learnt in indoor PE from previous years. Please ensure children have outdoor wear for all weather conditions including a tracksuit for when the cold weather arrives.

RHE - Our first unit is 'Being me in my World' which looks at differences, how we are all special and how we are responsible for one another.

RE - This term we will be learning about Islam, how it is practiced and the Muslim way of life. In the second part of Autumn we will be looking at Christian pilgrimages and the meaning behind Christmas.



## HOMEWORK OVERVIEW

Maths is set on a Monday and returned on a Monday. This will be submitted via Google Classroom and involve using Doodle Maths. The homework will be in line with what the children are learning in school. Some elements of the homework

will also be completed in PPA sessions.

English is set on Monday and will consist of two tasks. Task 1 will be a set of up to 12 spellings which the children will be tested on at the start of the week and again on a Friday. During the week the pattern or rule will be taught and explored in English lessons. Task 2 will be a grammar or writing task. English homework is due on a Friday.

Reading: Please ensure that you hear your child read, or discuss your child's reading, every day for at least 20 minutes as it is incredibly important in aiding their learning in all areas of the curriculum. Please ensure you or your child notes down what they have read in your child's homework diary so that this can be recorded for our reading reward.

Foundation: Foundation homework is set on a Monday and will be based upon learning from a previous year group's History, Geography, Science or RE so that the children are using their retrieval skills to help remember more. The children will need to take the Kahoot that is set, read the Knowledge Organiser and then complete the activity. Once this has been done, children need to submit their homework so that the teachers can see their learning. All knowledge organisers can be found on Google Classroom.

Mrs Jules, Miss Alexander and Mr Henshall

