



WEST BOROUGH

YEAR 6 PARENT INFORMATION



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September 2020

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Year 6 Staff

Willow Class – Class Teacher: Miss Holliday & Mrs Lang (Tuesdays), Teaching Assistant: Mr Watts

Sycamore Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Miranda, Teaching Assistant: Mrs James

Year 6 LSA: Mrs Owens

Leader of Learning for Forest Team (Y5 & 6): Mrs Miranda

PPA Cover (PE and Music) is Thursday afternoon. This is covered by Mr Atkinson/Mrs Hill. Children need to wear their PE kits to school on a Thursday.

Our Learning

During the course of the year our topics will be:

Term 1—Titanic

Term 2—Extinct & Endangered

Term 3—Evacuated (WWII)

Term 4—Rebuilding Britain (post WWII)

Term 5—Rainforest

Term 6—The Apprentice

For the 1st few weeks we are spending time, helping the children reconnect with each other and school life. We are also gauging where the children are in their Maths and English learning, so we can plan to fill any gaps. Please be reassured that we are taking things slowly whilst everyone settles back in to school life.

Learning is cross curricular and we will continue to focus on deepening understanding of Maths through the mastery approach and English skills. Children will be expected to write in Standard English and expectations of handwriting, spelling, punctuation and grammar will continue to be high.

We will continue to develop learning skills alongside our core values and curriculum. These skills enable children to become life long learners. The focus of these skills change every other term.

Any trips or visits will be confirmed later on in the year when we have more clarification about what it is safe for schools to do.

Timestables

It is an expectation that children in Year 6 know all their times tables up to 12 and the division facts. Children will continue to be tested as part of the 'Rockstars Maths' award in which certificates are awarded for continued high achievement. Times tables should be practiced regularly at home. Children can also practice at home via Timestable Rockstars. A reminder of their login will be sent home.

Learning at Home

Children are expected to read at home at least 3 times a week and the contact book should be signed. However, reading books need to be in school every day. Reading books will be changed once a week for the foreseeable future.

We will be continuing Buster's Reading incentive scheme this year. Children will receive a new bookmark very soon. Please record the number of minutes that they have read on a Wednesday evening ready for data collection on a Thursday. If your child has exceeded their target minutes please record this on the bookmark too. Our target in Year 6 is to read for at least 30 minutes per night. The children will also have home learning. This needs to be completed and returned to school on a **MONDAY** morning.

Water Bottles and Fruit

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school everyday. They may also bring in a fruit snack for playtime. If it is cut fruit, please put this in a named container.

We are really looking forward to this new school year and getting to know all the Year 6 children. We have planned many new and exciting topics such as Titanic, where the children will have an exciting day of role play and debating, which we know they will enjoy. A wonderful start to their learning journey experience!

As we are unable to have face to face contact with parents currently, we will endeavour to keep you up to date with what we've been learning via our website. We may also call you from time to time. Should you need to contact your child's teacher, please write a note in your child's contact book. Alternatively, you can email their teacher. Please note that emails may not be checked during the day so if your matter is urgent, please contact the school office.

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Equality, Responsibility, Respect, Resilience, Challenge