



WEST BOROUGH

YEAR 6 PARENT INFORMATION



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Year 6 Staff

Walnut Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Miranda - Teaching Assistants: Miss Akbar, Mrs James & Miss Cremore

Willow Class – Class Teacher: Mrs Jackson - Teaching Assistant: Mrs Lawrence

Leader of Learning for Forest Team (Y5 & Y6): Mrs Jackson

PPA Cover: All day every other **Friday**. This is covered by Mr Atkinson and Mrs Hill. Children need to wear their PE kits to school on a **Wednesday** and **Friday**. Please wear warmer clothes (navy joggers and a navy hoodie top) in the colder months and please take out earrings on these days.

Our Learning

During the course of the year our topic enquiry questions will be:

Term 1: How is the Kingdom united?

Term 2: Who sunk the Titanic?

Term 3: Why are the trees disappearing?

Term 4: How did the Second World War change our country?

Term 5: What challenges are islands of the world facing?

Term 6: What was the significance of the HMT Empire Windrush?

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.

Alongside our academic curriculum, children are taught a range of skills which help them to become resilient citizens. As well as a focus on our Core Values, pupils will have regular RHE (Relationship & Health Education) sessions and develop their knowledge and the use of Zones of Regulation. These zones help children to recognise and communicate how they are feeling in a safe, non-judgemental way.

The Year 6 Residential Trip and Activity Week will be taking place later this year. Full details and dates will be shared with you as soon as they have been arranged.

Timestables

It is an expectation that children in Year 6 know all their times tables up to 12 x 12 and the division facts.

Children will continue to be tested as part of 'Rockstars Maths' and speed tables.

Times tables should be practiced regularly at home using Times Tables Rockstars.

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.

Our target in Year 6 is to read for at **least 30 minutes** per night.

The children will also continue to have home learning which will consist of a maths, reading comprehension or spelling and grammar exercise each week. This will need to be returned to school on a **MONDAY** morning.

In addition, Home Learning will now include project based work and due dates for these will be clearly marked on them.

Water Bottles and Fruit

Please ensure your child has a **named** water bottle in school everyday. They may also bring in a fruit or vegetable snack (fresh or dried) 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 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!

The best way to contact us is via Class Dojo. However, if the matter is urgent please contact the school office (office@west-borough.kent.sch.uk) in the first instance, as teachers could be in the middle of a lesson. We endeavour to keep you updated with the children's learning via the class story and will contact you directly if the need arises. Absences can be reported via ParentMail, or by telephone (01622 726391). To advise us of a change in collection arrangements, please telephone the office (by 2:15pm where possible) or let the class teacher know the day before.

Equality, Responsibility, Respect, Resilience, Challenge