

Welcome to Class 6W!



Welcome to Class 6W! We are looking forward to a successful year of learning with exciting opportunities to grow and develop. This is a challenging year in so many ways, with the preparation for moving on to new schools, PGL, as well as the push to deepen our knowledge and understanding academically. We have many exciting things planned this year and it is our hope that this learning journey will be inspiring and fruitful. If you have any questions concerning your child, please don't hesitate to come and see us.

With best regards from the Year 6 team: Grace Wilson, Marion Harvey, Francesca Nicholson and Holly Lipop
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Classroom Equipment

- School diary every day, please-this will be taken in every Friday to check what has been read. If you have any comments please tell your child to hand their Pupil Planner book in for my attention.
- PE kit –**Monday** and **Friday**.

How to help at home

Reading

Please listen to your child read at home as often as you can, preferably daily, but at least three times each week. The love of reading is captured at a young age and it opens up the world to the reader. I understand that at this age children prefer to read alone, however, don't forget to ask questions and engage in conversations about what they are reading.

Maths

Please be sure your child knows their multiplication facts- These are so helpful in all forms of maths. Play maths games with your child and give them plenty of opportunities to solve word problems with an emphasis on explaining their reasoning.

IPC(International Primary Curriculum)

Our units are outlined below and we welcome anyone who can bring in their expertise to support the learning in class. I am always amazed at the enthusiasm with which the children embrace their IPC work and bring in independent home learning- which of course, is always welcomed!



Mathematics

Areas that will be covered this term will be:

- Four calculations
- Ordering numbers
- Number patterns and sequences
- Shape and space (including the properties of 2 & 3D shapes)
- Area and perimeter
- Data handling and measurements
- Time
- Fractions, decimals and percentages
- Average, mean, median, mode and range
- Mental maths strategies

English

Books we will be using are: Beowulf, (Michael Morpurgo and Poetry by Rudyard Kipling.

Writing

- Journalistic Writing
- Reports
- Non-chronological Writing
- Story structures – characterisations, settings, openings, etc.
- Fiction Genres
- Poetry (the power of Imagery)

Daily Grammar, punctuation and comprehension.

Spelling Synonyms, antonyms, verb endings, prefixes & suffixes, plurals, root words, independent spelling strategies.

Homework

English and Maths homework this year will be undertaken in CGP KS2 maths and English Booster books. These text and practice books will be provided by the School. This is aimed at supporting Year 6 in their preparation for the SATs tests next May. Once the books have been sent home, with the appropriate instructions, they will be expected to be returned each Friday for marking and discussion. Offer your child help with their homework if needed but also give them the chance to be independent. Other homework may include craft topics or mini-projects that will be undertaken over a longer period. Spellings have been given out for the whole term, which are the key words needed by the end of Year 6 and the children will sit a test every Friday. IPC homework is given at relevant times, which will usually be a project to complete for the family!





Which Day?

PE – Monday afternoon/ Friday morning (sports coaches)
 Homework sent home – Thursday
 Homework brought back – Tuesday
 Diary check/Spelling tests - Friday



IPC Topics

Autumn- Brainwave (2 weeks)
 The Great, the Bold, the Brave (8/9 weeks)
 Science: Being Human (3/4 weeks)
Spring- Fairgrounds (11 weeks)
Summer- Science: Out of Africa (4 weeks)
 The Holiday Show (6/7 weeks)



Dates for your diaries:

September 13th – Individual photos
 October 22nd – 26th October half-term break
 October 29th – November 2nd – Year 6 School
 Journey to Carroty Wood
 November 15th & 16th – Parents' evenings
 December 11th & 12th – KS2 Production
 December 18th – Carols Service

Trips

Autumn- Drama Hut Workshop for our Great, Bold, Brave topic (In school) 27th September
School Journey to Carroty Wood: October 29th - Nov 2nd

Spring- Chessington World of Adventures as part of our Fairgrounds topic. Date and price TBC

Summer- Trip to Whitstable for our 'Holiday Show' topic. Date TBC. Price approximately £15.

International Primary Curriculum Autumn 1

This term Class 6 will be looking at the topic: The Great, the Bold, the Brave. During this topic we will be looking at the subjects below and learning about the following:

As **Historians** we will be:

- Finding out about the Greek city-states of Athens and Sparta
 - Exploring the political systems in Athens and Sparta
- Finding out about the Persian Wars and their impact on Greece
 - Learning about Athenian life by studying the Parthenon
 - Finding out about the origins of the Olympic Games
 - Finding out about Alexander the Great
- Discovering why Rome had a republic and then an emperor
 - Finding out about daily life in Ancient Rome
- Exploring the impact of Roman invasion on another country
- Understanding the cause and effect of the fall of the Roman Empire

As **Artists** we will be:

- Finding out about Ancient Greek and Roman art
- Creating our own piece of art in a Greek or Roman style

In **International** we will be:

- Finding out about the effects of invasion on countries around the world



All of the work we are going to do has been specially written to help your child reach the learning goals. Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, working on their own and working in groups. We will be checking to see how well your child has learned through particular activities and asking children to explain their work, perhaps to you.