



Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

Update:

We have been tackling long division in Maths this week and really working on our resilience! We have moved onto a new writing piece in English – newspaper reports in an ‘underground press’ style based on our class book, Holes. We made plant collages in jars in Science and learned all about baptism in R.E.

Look forward to:

Next week, (WC 21 October 2024), as part of DT we will be making ‘Sploosh’! Can every child please bring in –

- one tin of sliced peaches; and
- one empty, glass jam jar (or similar)

We will be carrying out the 'create' stage of the project on Thursday, 24th October 2024, so the children will need to bring in their jars/peaches by this date. We understand that this may not be possible for everyone, so please do let us know if there are any problems with resourcing and we will ensure that we provide extras.

On the first Friday back after half-term, we will be having a parents’ information session after school where we will address homework expectations and you will also get the opportunity to have a look at the children’s books.

Please see below for an exciting writing competition which your child may be interested in entering.

Mrs. Peneda and Miss Maloney

Important dates:

Thursday 24th October – Bring in jars and peaches

Friday 25th October – Break up for half term 3.20pm

Friday 8th November – Year 6 Parent Information Session and open books in classes.

Homework:

Homework consists of the following –

Mathletics

Maths homework will reflect the learning that is done in class during the week. It is set every Friday on Mathletics.

Spelling

Spellings are set every Friday with a spelling test the following Friday giving children one week to learn them. A list of this week's spellings can be found alongside. Year 6 are currently covering words with irregular spellings.

Reading

Accelerated Reader logins should now work for the children. The login and password is the same as last year. When the children finish reading a book, they need to complete an online quiz at home before changing the book. Your child can see if a book from home is within their zpd at the following link:
<https://www.arbookfind.co.uk/default.aspx>

Times Table Rockstars

This half term we are having a whole school focus on our times tables. This will consist of weekly battles between classes, year groups and even the teachers! Everybody MUST participate!

Week 4: Houses Battle!

Writing competition!



500 Words is finally open for entries, it's time to get writing! [Submit your stories before 9pm on Friday 8 November 2024.](#)

There are two age categories: **5-7 and 8-11 year-olds**. All children need to do is write a story they would love to read in 500 Words or less.

We would love children of all abilities to enter; **spelling, punctuation and grammar** are not marked - it's all about creativity!

50 finalists will be invited to go to a glamorous **grand final** at Buckingham Palace in February next year, where the bronze, silver and gold winners in each category will have their stories read out by celebrities.

There are also lots of **prizes to be won** - each winner will take home a bundle of books and the gold winners also win 500 books for their school library.

Not only that, the winning stories will receive an original **illustration** from **Dapo Adeola, Nigel Parkinson, Lydia Monks, Momoko Abe, Rob Biddulph or Yasmeen Ismail.**

Please use the following link to enter your child into the competition and to find out more information.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/articles/zctk7v4#zbx4jfr>