

Welcome to Year 6



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We would all like to take this opportunity to welcome you and your child into Year 6 and we hope that they will find the current academic year enjoyable, challenging and exciting. We are kick starting the year with our 'Building A Team' topic which will culminate with our exciting shelter building day. Our second topic will be 'Where We Live', where the children will learn all about their local area and its significance throughout history. Please see the attached topic web for more information about this half term's topic; we will send the other topic web after half term. In addition to this, you will be getting a letter with key dates for your diary for the year from the school office.

Homework this term will consist of spelling and times tables practise, which will be set on a Thursday and collected in every Tuesday. In addition, a topic based project which will be completed across a half term. Your child has been given a log in for Athletics and Times Table Rock Stars, which are websites designed to support their learning in maths. Please take time to log on with your child and explore these sites. Please encourage your child to use these sites regularly and at times we will set specific activities for them to complete at home.

We want to continue to foster confident readers who have a love of books. Please help us by ensuring that your child is reading regularly at home for at least 20 minutes at a time and recording this in their planner. If your child is a confident reader, they do not need to read to you but they would still benefit from you asking them questions about the book they are reading. Even the most confident readers still enjoy having a story read to them every now and then! **Please ensure that you sign your child's reading record at least once a week to confirm that they have been reading at home.** We have lots of exciting rewards in school for children who are reading at home but they only qualify for these if you sign their reading record as part of our Accelerated Reader scheme. Each child has been given a school planner so they can write down important dates as they receive letters, note down their homework and record their home reading. This is an excellent resource which will help them in preparation for secondary school.

A full school uniform list is available on our school web site. However, we would like to remind you that socks should be plain black, grey or white and not trainer socks; hair accessories should be simple and in school appropriate colours; jewellery is limited to plain, round stud ear-rings and a watch and nail varnish should not be worn. As part of our respect Christian value, we will be strict with regards to uniform and the way in which a child presents themselves. As the weather gets colder, you may want to send your child to school with plain tracksuit bottoms and a sweatshirt in their PE kits. Please ensure all items are named, including all PE kits, coats and jumpers as this will mean it is more likely lost property will find its way back to the classroom.

It is important that your child brings a named water bottle to school and we encourage them to drink throughout the day. They should also bring in a piece of fruit for a snack at playtime.

We look forward to meeting you in person at the parent consultations on the 2nd and 3rd of October. However, if you wish to contact us before then please feel free to catch us at the end of the day or telephone the school office to make an appointment. Alternatively, send an email to the following address, which will be forwarded to your child's teacher.

junoffice@wykeregisfed.dorset.sch.uk

Kind regards,

The Year 6 Team