

## 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 coming 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, after half term, 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.

Homework in the autumn term will consist of spelling and times tables practise. This is best completed daily, 10-15 minutes each day, rather than all in one go. In addition, there will be a topic-based homework project to be completed across each half term. Your child has been given a log in for **Mathletics and Times Table Rock Stars**, which are websites designed to support their learning in maths. Please take some 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. As we have started to use **Google Classroom** as a school, we hope to continue to utilise this to support home learning this year. Your child has written their log in details for all of these online learning platforms in the front of their planner, which should be brought to and from school each day.

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 planner 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 planner. Your child will also be set an Accelerated Reader target each half term to work towards. We are encouraging children to take these book quizzes at home if possible. The Accelerated Reader site can be accessed using the link on your child's Google Classroom stream and they have their log in details in the front of their planner.

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. Because respect is one of our shared values, we will be strict with regards to uniform and the way in which a child presents themselves. **Because of the current circumstances, children need to come to school in their PE kit on the days that they have PE and Forest Schools. For 6CP and 6S that will be Tuesdays and Fridays and for 6C that will be Thursdays and Fridays.** Please ensure all items, such as coats and jumpers, are named 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.

Because we are unable to have face-to-face parent consultations this term, we will phone each of you by the end of October to let you know how your child is settling in. 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](mailto:junoffice@wykeregisfed.dorset.sch.uk)

Kind regards,  
The Year 6 Team