

Wyke Regis Primary Federation

Inspiring Hearts and Minds

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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 'Survivor' 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 reading, spelling and times tables practice. This is best completed daily, 10-15 minutes each day, rather than all in one go. Your child has been given a login 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. We will continue to utilise **Google Classroom** to support home learning this year. Your child has written their login 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 website. 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. Trousers and skirts should be grey and not leggings or black jeans. 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. Children need to come to school in their PE uniform (black shorts or tracksuit trousers, T-shirt in their House Team colour, PE hoodie and trainers) only

on Mondays 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 as we encourage them to drink water throughout the day. They should also bring in a piece of fruit for a snack at playtime.

Key dates for Year 6 this term:

- 6C Weymouth Walk trip Monday 12th September
- 6CP Weymouth Walk trip Tuesday 13th September
- 6D Weymouth walk trip Friday 16th September
- PGL parents' information meeting Thursday 22nd September at 6pm
- Shelter Building Day Wednesday 28th September (weather permitting)
- PGL residential on Isle of Wight 17th to 21st October
- Half term holiday 24th to 28th October
- 6CP Nothe Fort trip Tuesday 15th November
- 6D Nothe Fort trip Wednesday 16th November
- 6C Nothe Fort trip Friday 18th November
- SATs parents' information meeting Thursday 24th November at 6pm
- Year 6 Christingle Monday 12th December at 2pm
- Year 6 Christmas party Friday 16th December
- Break up 2:05pm Friday 16th December

We will be holding parent consultations later this half term. However, if you wish to contact us before then, please 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@wykereqisfed.dorset.sch.uk

Kind regards, The Year 6 Team