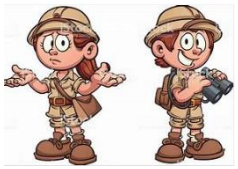
Welcome to Year 6!

A big welcome and hello to all the children (and their parents) who have started in year 6! This will be both an exciting and jam-packed year and therefore we would appreciate your help with the following to give your child the best possible start to this term.

- Children are expected to read for 10-15 minutes a night. This needs to be recorded in their diary- this can be by your child. Asking them questions about what they have read and discussing any words they don't know the meaning of will really help them.
- Spelling is a vital part of Year 6 and so testing them on their current and past spellings will help them greatly! Children will be tested on their weekly spellings every Friday.
- Help your child with their daily organisation, making sure they are on time to school and have their reading book, reading diary daily.
- PE On the days your child has PE they need to come to school in their PE kit. All of year 6 on a Monday and 6NR & 6CSh on a Wednesday and 6SJ on a Friday.
- Your child has an online login for a variety of educational websites: ttrockstars.com, mathletics.com play.edshed.com and readingeggs.com. Homework will be set on these weekly.

Explorers Topic



Our first school topic this term will be 'Explorers'. During this topic, we will be learning all about different biomes around the world and their features. We will also be learning about living things and how they adapt to survive in these biomes. We will be looking at how to read maps, locate places using grid references and preparing our own maps. We will also be taking inspiration from Inuit art to create our own pieces of artwork.

In Autumn 2 our topic will be 'Evolution and Inheritance where we look at living things and how they have changed over time; fossils, and 'survival of the fittest'.

Class Novel - Wonder

As an introduction to year 6, all of our learning will be based around the book Wonder. We will be working on our reading skills as well as using this as a basis for our PHSE lessons to discuss our feelings, worries and hopes for the year ahead.

English

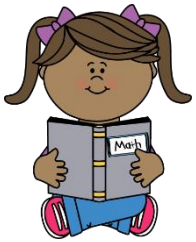
To begin with, we will be reminding ourselves of our basic grammar skills, using these to write a description using exciting vocabulary.

We will work on our descriptive writing skills by extending our vocabulary and using a variety of word types. We will also be writing persuasive letters to join an expedition and a diary retelling the events of the expedition.

Maths

In Maths we will be focusing on developing our knowledge of place value, becoming familiar with numbers from tens of millions down to decimals. We will also be looking at our reasoning and problem solving skills and using different methods to break these down.

As arithmetic is a big part of the end of year SATs, each week we will be practising our arithmetic skills, to build our confidence in this area.



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