

Year 6 Autumn Term

WELCOME TO YEAR 6!

We are delighted to welcome you and your child to Year 6.

6CQ - Mrs Quartermaine (Mon. & Tues. am and Mon. to Thurs. pm)

& Mr Horton (Wed. to Fri. am and Fri. pm)

6DM - Mr Martin

Additional support staff – Mrs Girling

PPA cover (Friday pm) Mr Horton and Mrs Avery. NQT cover by Ms Clarke

Maths

In Maths this term we will be looking at:

- **Number and place value** (counting, reading, writing and ordering numbers),
- **Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division** (addition facts and the use of +, - and = signs.),
- **Fractions** (identifying the value of coins and telling the time to the hour, estimating and measuring lengths),
- **Investigations and a mini project.**

Homework

The children will have spelling and times table homework every week. The homework will be given out on a Tuesday and will be due back in the following Monday.

For the first few weeks we are sending the year 5/6 common exception words which the children should be able to spell. Please work with your child to ensure they know how to spell them.

Our topic for this term is '**The Mayans Civilisation**'.

We will explore the history and geography surrounding this ancient civilisation.

English

Reading

Children will be expected to read individually and in our class guided reading sessions. Although we will hear your child read regularly, it is also important that they read at home in order to consolidate and support their spelling, grammar and writing. Even if this is just fifteen minutes a day, it will make all the difference to their development.

Spelling

We will be working through the year 6 spellings list on a regular basis although we will not be sending spellings home until after the 11+. Spellings will need to be understood learnt and we will often ask children to apply some of the words in short pieces of writing.

Writing

Handwriting is a compulsory part of the new curriculum and the children must have a neat cursive style to ensure they reach a secure standard on the year 5/6 curriculum. The children will be expected to spend ten minutes each day practising handwriting straight after lunch.

Outdoor Games is on a Wednesday afternoon and indoor PE is on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure your children's PE kit is labelled and in school every day and that your child has the appropriate coloured t-shirt for their house.

General

The children are allowed bottles of water and a fruit/vegetable snack for morning break, which you need to provide. Please ensure any water bottles or fruit containers are clearly **named**.

After the 11+ the children will take on responsibilities within school, e.g. house captains, stewards etc. and will be expected to take these responsibilities seriously and set an example to the rest of the school.

Year six children are encouraged to be as independent as possible and to be responsible for their own learning and organisation, e.g. bringing in homework, musical instruments, P.E. kit, returning letters/forms etc.

If your child has a mobile phone they must place it in an allocated place first thing in the morning. They must not be switched on until they are out of the school building unless they have the teacher's permission.

Science – Classification and Light

History – The Mayans

R.E. – Saints and Incarnation

Art – Tone & Colour

ICT – Programming (Scratch)

French – Asking for food

Games – Rugby

Music - Instrumentation

Many thanks for your support,

Mrs C. Quartermaine, Mr Horton and

Mr Martin