



Welcome to Owl Class!

Welcome back to a new term and the start of Year 6. (Owl Class) I hope you have all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer.

General information

- Please ensure your child wears correctly **named uniform** on a daily basis; this should include suitable **black school shoes** and hair tied back with plain hair bands or clips in school colours. A red jumper with **the school logo** must be worn.
- Please ensure any money is sent to school in a sealed, **named** envelope; although, where possible we are a cashless school.
- If your child is being collected by somebody else or going home with another pupil's parent at the end of the school day, please inform either myself, Mrs Alford or the office. If your child is walking home alone, please can we have your permission in writing.
- As you know, we provide wrap around care with our Breakfast and Teatime club; if your child is booked in to Teatime club please ensure they are aware of this so as to avoid any confusion.
- If your child is unable to attend any of the after school clubs that they regularly attend, please send a note into school or speak to the teacher so that we are all aware of where they are.
- Please could your child have a **named** art shirt in school at all times for when we get messy in art to protect school uniforms.

PE Kits

Due to Covid children need to wear their PE kit to school on the days that they have PE and will wear it for the full day. **PE this term is on Monday and Wednesday** so please can they arrive to school with a plain white T shirt, red school sweatshirt, black shorts, with plain black jogger bottoms or black leggings over the top if you wish and wearing plimsolls or trainers. If your child is unable to tie shoelaces, please can they wear Velcro fastening. **Earrings need to be removed for each PE session**, ideally at home or your child is to remove them themselves, if they are unable to do this, please provide suitable micropore or plasters for earrings to be covered for every session.

Homework

Each week the children will be set three shorter pieces of homework that should take about 10 minutes each. Please see the timetable below which explains when Year 6 homework will be set each week. As well as this, there will also be times tables to practise and spellings to learn, ready for a test on Friday. If your child finds their homework particularly difficult please ask them to speak to myself or Mrs Alford about it. Please try to support your child as much as possible by providing them with a calm, quiet atmosphere to work in and ensuring they understand the task. Challenging homework will continue to be set termly, this usually relates to the topic children are learning about that term.

Reading

The children have a reading book to take home in order to read daily. This needs to be read at home to an adult whenever possible and brought back into school for the next day. Please ensure your child reads at least 3 times a week at home and this is recorded in their school reading diary, which needs to be in school every day. It is important for children to develop a love of reading, whether it is fiction, non-fiction, comics or newspapers. Reading is vital to allow your child to access all areas of school life and beyond. There are also opportunities during the week for your children to be reading for pleasure in school. In accordance to the current advice, when we listen to your child read individually we will not be recording this in the home diary, instead keeping records in school.

Children will complete quizzes using 'Accelerated Reader' to ensure they understand what they have read and books will then be quarantined before they can be returned to the library for others to use. If you have any questions, please ensure that you ask either myself or Mrs Alford.

This term the children have chosen to read 'Orphans of the Tide' by Straun Murray as our class reader.

Water Bottles and Snack

Children are allowed to bring in a water bottle from home containing water only. We are a healthy school so encourage you to provide your child with a healthy snack for break time (no chocolate please). Juice or cartons are acceptable as part of a packed lunch.

Behaviour

Children are encouraged to be kind, caring and respectful to others. We ask for your support in encouraging your child to take responsibility for their own behaviour and also to help with the children becoming a little more independent in terms of organising themselves for school to ensure that they have the correct equipment and kit. We also like to reward good learning and behaviour with house points, certificates and stickers. Exceptional behaviour will be noted and rewarded by being entered into the termly raffle draw.

SATs Week

As children come to the end of primary school, they are required to take the end of Key Stage 2 assessments. These will take place **Monday 10th May – Thursday 13th May**. Please ensure your child is in school every day, there will be no authorised absence during this week. More information will follow closer to the time.

Autumn Term Topic

Our topics for the year change termly. Our topic this term is "Why was winning the Battle of Britain so important?". If you have any added information or knowledge that you would like to share with our class, then please contact me.

Our class page on the school website gives more information about our topics and learning throughout the year.

Roles of responsibility.

Some of the children will be taking on extra responsibility such as School Parliament, Sports Leaders and School Prefects.

Mobile Phones

Pupils in Year 6 are permitted to bring mobile phones to school if they are walking alone but a contract must be signed and returned to school.

I look forward very much to this year. If you need any additional information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact myself.

Many thanks,

Miss Chilman

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Year 6 Homework		
	Given Out	Due In
Grammar	Monday	Wednesday
Maths	Wednesday	Friday
Reading Comprehension	Friday	Monday

Daily:

- Reading
- Times Table Rockstars
- Spelling Shed

