Spring Term 2024 Year 6



A Huge Thank You!!!





Snowdon: Miss Lonergan/Ms Mallinson

Windermere: Mr Schofield

Aviemore: Miss Barrett

Other Adults working with Year 6:

Miss Lawrence (teaches maths to allow us to have 4 groups across the year)

Mrs Kipping (1:1)

Mrs Nessling (1:1)

Mrs Law(1:1)

Miss Tarantino (1:1)

Mrs Atkins (1:1)

Curriculum Spring Term

Main Topic: Our changing world

Science Topic 1: Animals including Humans (circulatory system)

Science Topic 2: Evolution and Inheritance





Books for this term: Floodland and Can We Save The Tiger?

Lots of Writing – Focus on extending narrative using aspects of their writing criteria and editing and improving their work using a purple pen.

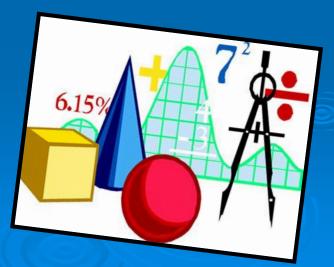
Grammar – punctuation, spelling rules

Reading – class texts, comprehension





- The work is still differentiated between our groups.
- Weekly arithmetic tests will continue as normal.
- Please see the topic overview to see what we will be covering this term.



Progress Reports

- > These were sent out today with your children.
- > These reports simply show your child's current progress compared with their end of year targets.
- Please don't worry if your child is marked as 'not on track,' as we are still early in the year and these targets are for the end of the current school year.
- It is likely, if your child is not on track, that they will be attending an intervention or booster session to support their learning, or will have extra support in class.



2 or 3 activities a week (90 minutes)



To be completed in homework books neatly, with dates and LQs.

Homework tasks given out on a Thursday. All homework to be handed in on a Tuesday.

If your child can't complete all of their homework, please write a comment in their homework book or email their class teacher.

Children to be encouraged to read and practise their times tables (5 \times 3 minutes on TTRS a week) at home.

Reading records should be handed in on a Tuesday. These should be completed by the children and signed by an adult.

Homework on school website – please ask if you need it printed.

Please remember: the maths method videos that Mrs Watts has created are a fantastic resource is your child is finding a particular concept tricky. These can be found on the school's website on the following link: https://www.westbyfleetjunior.org.uk/page/?title=Method+Videos&pid=514

Booster Groups

- You will have been already been informed if your child has been invited to join a booster group.
- > These groups are invite only and cannot be requested.
- We use current school data to establish who we believe will benefit from booster groups.
- We are holding maths booster after school and reading boosters during school hours.
- > They are not essential but are always beneficial!
- > Please inform us if your child is not able to attend a session.
- If they do not attend the session and they have been in school, we will call home to check where they are, for their safety.
- Please also inform us if your child is walking home from booster group.

Equipment

Children will need all of the following...

Fully equipped pencil case

(clear pencil case with pencils, handwriting pens, glue stick, scissors, rubber, ruler, sharpener, colouring pencils, Pink, purple and green pens)



Tracksuit for cold weather

Spare socks and underwear

Spare trainers

Base Layer— white or black (top only)

No leggings

Water Bottle



Items and clothing should be labelled clearly



Clarinet

- Children will still continue with the normal clarinet lessons with Mrs Owlett.
- Lessons start again next week.
- All children will be given or have already been given a new reed.
- If they need a new reed, it will cost £2. We recommend they have this in their bag, ready for when they need it

Uniform

- Children should be looking neat and tidy example to the rest of the school.
- Winter uniform
- Coats in school
- Appropriate hair bands, socks etc.
- No nail polish, earrings or make-up to be worn in school



- 2 x 1 hour slots: Wednesday afternoon and Friday morning.
- Children to come to school in correct PE kit on these days.
- Must bring in spare socks and other trainers/school shoes in a plastic bag to change into after the lesson.
- During the Winter, children may get wet playing certain sports. We recommend spare underwear in case of this and a thin waterproof jacket/coat.

Main points:

- No cycling shorts or leggings!
- Base layer allowed on top but jogging bottoms to be worn on bottom.

Behaviour Expectations

Year 6 are role models for the school.

We therefore expect them to uphold our school values when in and outside of school.

In the event of unacceptable behaviour, sanctions will be applied.

We define unacceptable behaviour as:

- Disruption in lessons, in corridors between lessons, and at break and lunchtimes
- Non-completion of classwork
- Poor attitude
- Refusing to follow direct instructions
- Lack of respect
- Repeated breaches of the school rules
- Any form of bullying
- Physical assault
- Vandalism
- > Theft
- Fighting
- Racist, sexist, homophobic or discriminatory behaviour
- Peer on Peer Abuse (see appendix 8)
- Possession of any prohibited items.

Maths Problem of the Week

- ➤ This will still continue as normal there will be a link to the problem of the week on the school's weekly newsletter.
- Solutions and leader-boards are on the school's website at this link:

https://www.westbyfleetjunior.org.uk/page/?title=Problem+of+the+Week&pid=589

Online Safety

- Online safety is a big part of our safeguarding in schools and it is important that the children know how to stay safe online and you know how to help keep them safe too.
- Online safety tips will continue to go out in newsletters.
- You can find information on on-line safety on the school's website at the following link:

https://www.westbyfleetjunior.org.uk/page/?title=E%2DSafety+%26amp%3B+Home+

Learning&pid=495





Young Carers

- If your child is a young carer then please let their classteacher know.
- Young carers meet weekly/biweekly with Mrs Clark and Mrs Segal – they do fun activities with other young carers, if they choose to go.
- They have opportunities throughout the year for fun day trips.

SATS

SATs will take place from: Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May 2024.

- They will have one arithmetic paper, two maths reasoning papers, a reading paper, spelling test and a SPaG paper.
- We will also assess the children on writing.
- We also teacher assess at the end of the year and these get passed on to their secondary school.
- We will continue to do practise SATs at the end of each half term to help the children get used to them too.

PG Films and Clips



Key Dates

Parent Consultation Meetings:

- Monday 4th March and Wednesday 6th March
 - times tbc

Open Morning:

- Wednesday 21st February

Natural History Museum trip:

- Monday 18th March. Details tbc.

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Please can we ask that when an enquiry is classroom based, you contact the classteacher directly rather than the office.

Any Questions?