



Dear children, parents and carers,

Welcome back! I really hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday and the children feel refreshed ready for an exciting but challenging year in Class 6.

This term our value is 'Generosity' and worships in school will focus on this. We will be starting this year with a whole-school topic around diversity based on the book 'A seed is sleepy'. We will be focusing on the diversity of cultures and societies and the contributions of different cultures to our lives. We will also be considering the rights of a child, human rights, power and governance.

In English this term, we will be reading 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick which I know the children will absolutely love! We will be learning about the use of more advanced punctuation, as well as writing extended narratives, clear paragraphing and the active and passive voice. We will be looking at a range of text types including descriptive writing. In Maths, we will be focusing on place value, the four maths operations, fractions and geometry position and direction. Our Geography topic for this half term is 'What is climate? What is weather?' and the children will be learning about greenhouse gases, carbon footprints, fossil fuels and how we can affect climate change. In Science we will be studying SC1 skills and experimental Science as well as forces and magnets.

Mr Tanner will be teaching PE on Thursday afternoons so please ensure your child comes to school in PE kit (navy blue shorts/skorts, joggers and house colour top only please).

Home Learning

This year, we have streamlined homework focusing on spellings, reading daily and maths.

Maths

For Maths home learning, children are expected to complete the task set on Showbie. This will be related to the work the children have learnt in lessons.

Reading

Our expectation is that children read each day for at least 15-20 minutes. Children can read independently or to an adult daily. We expect every child to record their daily reading, even if it's just a short note, so that we can keep track of their progress. Please support your child by reminding them to complete this task each day - thank you.

Spellings

We will be testing children on weekly spellings every **Friday**. The spellings will be posted on Showbie each week and will be linked to Y5/6 spellings.

General Reminders

Forest School sessions: Wednesday 29th September

Please could you register your child onto the new Year 6 showbie. The class code is: DYMVJ

Here are more details about how to do this.

<https://support.showbie.com/en/articles/3790477-joining-a-class-as-a-student>

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