

## Year 6 Curriculum Letter - Autumn Term 2025

Dear Year 6 Parents/Carers,

### The Curriculum

**English:** Writing will follow the Hampshire planning and will be based on class text (this term we will be looking at 'Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll. We will also be carrying out a Big Write two per half term.

In Reading, the children will continue to read and discuss various texts. There will also be a big focus on GaPS (grammar, punctuation and spelling)- a year glossary of SPaG terms are attached.

**Maths:** Maths lessons be taught in focused blocks. This term, the block include: integers and decimals, multiplication and division, calculation problems, fractions, missing angles and length. There will be a mixture of arithmetic (number) work and problem solving.

**Science:** The focus this term will be on living things and their habitats as our first topic. After half term, we will be learning about fossils, inheritance and evolution.

**Topic (History/Geography):** Year 6 will be studying World War Two as well as the countries involved in the war. The children will learn about key events; making contrasts and connections; and developing their ability to ask valid and thought-provoking historical questions. They will be developing their locational knowledge; place knowledge; geographical skills and fieldwork; and human and physical geography.

**Computing:** This will be taught by Mr Rebours, who teaches all classes Computing. The children will continue to develop their understanding of advanced internet use and how to use it safely, computer science (events and inputs), website creation and communication and collaboration.

**RE:** Children will learn about Islam and Christianity. They will be learning to understand some of the ways Muslims show commitment to God before learning to analyse the Christian belief in the Virgin Birth and to assess the significance of this to Christians.

**Art:** Art will be linked to Year 6 topics and will be taught by a specialist art teacher, Mrs Hopley, each week. She will be teaching about sculptures, art from WW2 and the artist Henry Moore.

**DT:** The pupils will be making Christmas ornaments this term. They will be developing their sewing skills to combine different fabrics.

**PE:** Year 6 will take part in physical literacy testing. In addition, during the first half term they will be developing their squash skills (including their forehands, backhands, volleys and match play); hockey skills (including attacking, defending and match play) and dance. During the second half term they will be continuing dance and developing their table tennis skills (including their forehands, backhands, rallying and match play skills).

**Emotional Health:** This is a new way to teach PSHE. The children will have two half hour sessions a week and this term they will be learning about anxiety/ mental health.

**French/ Spanish:** The children will continue to learn French this term. French will be taught by Mrs Morrison and Spanish by Mrs Lopez.

**Music:** The children will be learning about music associated with World War Two as well as developing their keyboard skills before practising Christmas songs. Mrs Arnett will teach them (the music specialist).

**Homework:** Children should read for at least **20 minutes per day Monday – Thursday** (4x per week). The children will also have weekly spellings to be tested the following week 6Y will be Tuesday 6CG will be Thursday. We also ask for the children to practice their times tables on TTRS daily- little and often.

#### **Other Matters**

**PE:** Both classes have PE on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. The children are expected to come to school on P.E. days wearing the correct PE uniform (i.e. their school tracksuits and appropriate footwear- **no leggings**).

Please could you ensure that your child comes to school with a coat as the weather is unpredictable at the moment and please make sure that their belongings are labelled.

Please remember that hair needs to be tied up in a bobble and no jewellery or nail polish.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to email us. We aim to work together with you to ensure that your child is continually achieving their full potential and is happy at school.

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Yours sincerely,

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