



Highwood Primary School

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Promoting Resilience, Achieving Potential

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Year 6 Newsletter 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have all enjoyed a relaxing break and would like to offer you a warm welcome to Year 6!

- Our topic for this term is Asia specifically Sri Lanka.
- In Science, we will be exploring Living Things and their habitats, including the way in which species adapt to their surroundings.
- Our P.E. lessons are :
Chestnut (Monday and Friday afternoons)
Sycamore (Monday and Wednesday afternoons)

Home Learning

Home learning in Year 6 is a vital way to prepare your children for the far more demanding workload they will experience in Year 7 at secondary school. Please help your child to develop a regular, planned routine for completing this work. The Home Learning Grid offers a range of activities which link to different areas of this term's curriculum. Children can choose a different task of their own choice as many times as they wish and are free to work with a partner. Homework and spellings go out on a Friday and need to come in on the following Tuesday. Alongside the grid tasks, children should read at least 4 times a week, practise mental maths (e.g. Times Tables Rock Stars, and Sumdog) and learn their weekly spelling lists.

Expectations

With greater age comes greater responsibility. As the oldest children in the school, our Year 6s are expected to model excellent behaviour and attitude towards their learning. They should be appropriately dressed following the School Uniform Policy. Throughout the year, pupils will have the opportunity to take on positions of responsibility such as House Captains, and Ambassadors. We also expect them to develop greater organisational skills as the year progresses, managing their own property and resources.

P.E. Kits

Please ensure that your child wears their full P.E. kit on the days they have Physical Education. Children need to make sure that long hair is tied back and that they do not wear any jewellery. Please provide microporous tape to cover up any stud earrings if they cannot be removed.



Upcoming Dates

Our residential trip to Conover Hall has been postponed until March next year. More details will follow soon.

Wednesday 11th November – History off the Page (Ancient Greece)

PPA Cover Lessons

When the teachers are planning lessons on Thursday afternoons, the classes will be covered by Madame Watson (French) and Mr Johnson (ICT).

Puppet Theatre Project

We are delighted that we will be running the Young People's Puppet Theatre project again in Year 6 this year. Mrs Kamboz will be managing the sessions in both classes.

- Sycamore (Friday afternoons)
- Chestnut (Wednesday afternoons)

Equipment

All children will be provided with a pack of basic equipment so they do not need to bring in their own equipment, under any circumstances.

We look forward to working with you and your children this year. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to make an appointment to speak to the class teacher via the staff in the office by emailing admin@highwood.herts.sch.uk.

Many thanks,

Mr Liam Willimott and Mrs Jenny Keith