



Year 6 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1



Welcome to Year 6!

Welcome back to Whingate and into Year 6! This year the class teachers in Year 6 are Miss Sefton and Miss Ball. Mrs Walker will also teach groups in the morning, and Miss Loney will teach an arithmetic group each week. Our teaching assistants are Mrs Croll and Miss Parkes. Both classes will be taught by Mrs Gatenby when the teachers are out of class. Each day, Mrs Croll or Miss Parkes will be at the door in a morning if you have any questions, and the class teacher will be at the door at the end of the day. 6S will leave through their classroom door while 6B will leave through the Year 6 cloakroom doors.

P.E and Kits

This term, we will be doing indoor P.E every Tuesday afternoon and outdoor P.E on a Friday afternoon.

Indoor P.E kit should include a white t-shirt and black or blue shorts. Outdoor kit should include a white t-shirt, black or navy blue shorts (tracksuit bottoms are likely to be better on colder days), a tracksuit top for colder sessions and trainers. All kit must be unbranded. We will be starting P.E sessions straight away and children can come in their P.E kit on P.E days.

Children must remove jewellery before any P.E session.

If children have recently had their ears pierced, please write a note to let the class teacher know. We recommend having a water bottle in school for outdoor P.E sessions.

Children must have indoor shoes in school at all time.

Homework and Home Reading

Spelling homework is given out on a Friday and will include spellings that the children have been learning in class. Spelling homework will now be set in a spelling journal on a weekly basis. The activities to complete for each week will be inside the journal. *The first set of homework will go out at the end of week 2.*

Maths homework will continue to be the bingo card that was used for the last year. This will go out on the Friday of week 2 and can be completed across the half-term. Any child completing the whole bingo card before half-term will receive 10 dojos.

Your child will bring their bookbag home once a week with one or two new reading books inside. Please sign to say you have listened to your child read and send back to school by their given day. The day we expect to say your book returned for will be shown on the outside of your child's reading record. Books will begin to go out on Monday 8th September.

Our Topics

In the first half-term our lead topic will be World War 2 and The Blitz, which will be taught through our History sessions. Our Science unit will focus on Evolution and Inheritance, and will involve some session planned with Dan the scientist, who ran our explosive science week sessions last year! In Art we will focus on the artist Stephen Wiltshire and develop the techniques of shading, using shadows and silhouettes. In P.E we will be doing circuits in our indoor sessions and hockey in the outdoor sessions.

Year 6 is a very important year for all of the children. Please support us by making sure your child is at school on time each day.