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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you enjoyed the summer holidays and are feeling well-rested for the year ahead. The class have been settling in well and seem to be enjoying the responsibilities that Year 6 brings! The information below will outline some aspects of our curriculum and explain how you can best support your child throughout this transition year.

### **Reading**

It is important that children are encouraged to maintain positive attitudes to reading by continuing to read and discuss an increasingly wide range of materials. We will be reading a class novel each half term and to help expose children to a range of texts and themes.

Please try to ensure that your child continues to read to an adult several times each week and to themselves as regularly as possible (a minimum of 3 times). I also ask that you remember to sign the reading diary weekly so that house points can be awarded. There is no need to make a comment unless you wish to. As reading is an essential life skill, any child that has not met the expectation of reading 3 times a week will be asked to stay in at break to read.

### **Writing**

This year, we have introduced a new scheme of writing called Literacy Tree. We will be looking at a range of books that cover a range of topics, which we hope will deepen the children's enjoyment of writing. These books also offer a range of writing opportunities. Please see our class overview for more details. We will be doing daily GPS (Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling) lessons, starting from the simpler concepts and working our way up to the Year 6 level of GPS to ensure we are all confident in all areas.

### **Maths**

During each term, teaching will focus on elements of the following strands:

Number and place value (including decimals and percentages)	Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division	Fractions
Algebra	Measurement	Ratio and proportion
position and direction	Statistics	Geometry: properties of shapes
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The children will also be taking part in regular mental arithmetic exercises and tasks. We regularly assess the children to ensure any gaps are closed through interventions or focus groups.

## **Wider Curriculum**

In Year 6, our science lessons offer a range of interesting and exciting topics. Our first unit will be Light, where we will look at reflecting light, refraction and understanding that light travels in straight lines. Our second unit will be Evolution and Inheritance, where we will look at inherited characteristics and think about what that might mean. We will then be looking at different theories of evolution and discovering how humans/animals/plants have adapted over time to survive.

Our history this term focuses on 'Rebuilding Britain After WW2'. This unit includes recapping over WW2 (a firm favourite amongst the class!) and then learning about the creation of the NHS and new towns.

## **Homework**

Homework should be completed to the best of your child's ability. Every week on a Thursday, children will be given maths and English tasks to reinforce or extend their learning and, on occasion, either humanities or science. All homework must be handed in by the following Wednesday, however, should your child manage to hand their homework in before the deadline, they will be awarded bonus house points.

Children are encouraged to discuss any misconceptions or difficulties with homework tasks with Miss Mills, Mrs Bastin or Mrs Warwick before the due date.

## **PE**

Swimming lessons will take place on Thursday afternoons, and our other PE lesson will be on Friday afternoon. The focus for this term will be rugby and dance. Regretfully, the school is no longer able to make phone calls home for forgotten kit.

## **Year 6 Expectations**

Everything we do in Year 6 has been carefully planned to help prepare children for the next step in their learning journey. This includes opportunities to show resilience, independence and responsibility. One aspect of this will be children taking responsibility for their homework and reading. If the expectation of completed work has not been met, the children will be asked to complete it in their own time, mirroring the secondary school expectations.

I hope you find this information useful. More information regarding our curriculum can be found on our website, however, should you have any further questions or queries, I will always endeavour to help. Year 6 is an important year in your child's school journey, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your anticipated support.

Kind regards,

Miss J Mills  
Class 6 Teacher



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