Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 6. We are looking forward to working with you this year.

Curriculum

Year 6 is an important year for your children, with SATs as a key focus. However, we want your children to enjoy their learning, encouraging them in their desire to become independent, resilient active learners. Your support in this is much appreciated. Further details of the areas to be covered this term can be found on the Curriculum Map.

This year, the children will stay with the whole class for Maths lessons. We have decided that, with recent curriculum changes, plus working in single age year groups, that this is the way forward for us now. All children will still be given learning tasks relevant to their needs and abilities.

Year 6 Homework

This will be set each Friday, to be returned by the following Wednesday. Although there will be some variation in content from week to week, this is an example of what to expect:

* Spelling – a spelling activity based on rules etc. taught during the week (not a word list)
* Reading – it is still incredibly important that your child reads regularly and widely. They will be asked to write an entry into a Reading Journal each week
* Writing – linked to class-work
* Maths – challenges set on the Mathletics website
* Learning Logs – these will be approximately every three weeks and will cover a range of topics and activities

Uniform

The school expects all pupils to wear the correct school uniform. We are encouraging the children to take pride in their uniform. Please speak to the office staff if you have any queries regarding our updated uniform policy.

PE

The children have P.E. twice a week on Wednesday and Thursday. They should wear the new PE kit, which includes a white polo shirt rather than a T shirt. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit in school at all times as we do sometimes have additional PE sessions.

Children with ear-rings must take them out or cover them with tape. Long hair should be tied back.

General Equipment

Key Stage 2 pupils require:

* Good quality HB pencils
* A rubber (eraser)
* Whiteboard pen
* Glue stick
* A pencil sharpener
* Coloured pencils

**Berol handwriting pens will be provided by the school.**

As cloakroom space is extremely limited, large sports bags or rucksacks are not allowed in school.  Sports kit should be kept in a drawstring bag clearly marked with the child’s name.

Trips

We are currently investigating arrange of possibilities – details to follow.

If you have any queries we will be pleased to see you, preferably after school. Please contact the school to make an appointment or see us after school to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Harman and Mrs Lyon