



Green Class SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER 2023

Dear Year 6 Parents, Carers and Children,

We have had a very busy start to the term already. The children have come back rested and very positive about their learning. We have started focusing on our PSHE topic which is called 'Learning to Learn for the Future'. The topic is centred on learning the skills to be able to choose and work towards a personal goal, with particular emphasis upon persistence and positive thinking as well as thinking about the children's future aspirations.

Curriculum:

Our history topic for this term is World War II and our Geography focus will be continuing our learning on North and South America moving on to the Amazon. Please see the curriculum overview for further details on the different subject areas.

P.E:

Our PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays. Could I ask that parents please make sure your child has the correct kit (including trainers for outdoor work) and that the kit stays in school all week in case the P.E day changes for any reason. We will continue to run the Daily Mile each day too.

Homework:

The expectation remains that each week the children will be set a spelling task linked to our weekly spelling pattern and one other task to consolidate the week's learning, prepare for a future lesson or practise some basic calculation skills. This learning will be set and sent home in their homework books this term, rather than on Google Classroom. Of course, should children wish to complete their learning on a computer or other device they are still welcome to and either print at home or share with us via Google and we can print it in school.

Reading is also a key part of the homework. Please encourage your children to keep reading for enjoyment and we suggest at least 10 minutes reading every day. They also have Reading Records which they need to keep updated with the books they are reading and the amount of pages they have read – at least 3 entries per week.

If children are finding any piece of homework too difficult or they are taking more than the allocated time to complete it, please do not persist. Simply write us a note to let us know.

School Journey to Kingswood Activity Centre

As you know the date (**Sunday 11th to Wednesday 14th June 2023**) and venue have all been confirmed and deposits paid for Year 6's School Journey. We are keen to encourage you to continue with payments in instalments using our on-line Arbor payment system. We will let you have other key information shortly including dates for an information meeting and a kit list.

SATs:

The testing week for Year 6 is set nationally and this year will be during the week **Tuesday 9th May - Friday 12th May**. There will be a reading test and a spelling, punctuation and grammar test as well as an arithmetic and reasoning maths test. We are supporting the children on this work each week in class. It is likely that we will be running some booster sessions during and after school this term to help the children feel confident about the test expectations and details of these will come out shortly.

I hope that this information is useful to you. Please feel free to pop by after school any day if you have any more questions.

Kind Regards,

Sarah Rowlatt and the Year 6 team.