



Green Class - Spring term newsletter 2024

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 really positive about their learning. We have started focusing on our PSHCE topic which is called 'Learning to Learn for the Future'. The topic is initially centred on setting and achieving goals for the year ahead, and then thinking about how we can all be brilliant learners, particularly in the context of managing setbacks and how to bounce back from perceived failures.

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 this term are Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings. 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 morning too.

Homework

The expectation remains that each week the children will be set a spelling task linked to our weekly spelling pattern. The second weekly homework task involves children completing activities in their new CGP books covering: Reading; Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling; and Maths. Children are expected to complete only one test in each book for their homework, so three in total per week. Each activity should take around 10 minutes to complete, so around 30 minutes in total, and then a short amount of time, with your support, to check and mark their work.

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 dates (**Sunday 30th June to Wednesday 3rd July 2024**) 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

This year, the testing week for Year 6 is set nationally and this year will be during the week **Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May 2024**. There will be a reading test and a spelling, punctuation and grammar test as well as an arithmetic and two reasoning maths tests. 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,

Robert Wootton and the Year 6 team.