

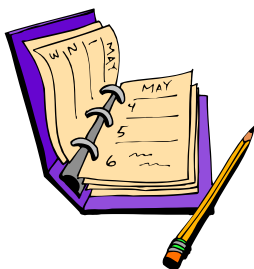
# Year 6 AUTUMN Newsletter

## Year Group Newsletter

Welcome to the Autumn **Term** edition of the year group newsletter. Throughout the year, we will be sending out a class newsletter at the start of each term to keep parents informed about class issues and give a brief summary of the curriculum areas we will be covering in the coming term. If you have any ideas for additional information that might prove useful in future class newsletters, please let us know.

### Important Dates

- Tuesday 2nd October - Year 6 SATs Parents Meeting
- Wednesday 10th to Friday 12th October - Arts Week
- Monday 15th to Friday 19th October - Science Week
- Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October - Y6 THORNBRIDE RESIDENTIAL
- Friday 26th October - School closes for Half Term**
- Monday 5th November - School Re-opens**
- Monday 12th to Friday 16th November - Anti-bullying Week
- Wednesday 14th November - Y6 CRUCIAL CREW TRIP
- Friday 30th November - Christmas Fair
- Monday 3rd / Tuesday 4th December - Parents Evenings
- Friday 21st December - School closes for Christmas**
- Monday 7th January - School Re-opens**



### Our World

#### Our Responsibility



After discovering how much the environment that we live in is changing due to human impact, the year 6 have been tasked with developing the outdoor learning area (the pond/decking) in to a space that teaches others how to look after our world.

In the first half term, pupils will be focussing their efforts on to expanding their understanding of how humans impact on the environment and the changes we can all make to address this. Then the second half term, they will put this knowledge to use as they develop an interactive learning zone.

### Literacy

There is a specific Literacy lesson for all children each day for a minimum of an hour, covering skills related to the National Curriculum for Literacy. Over the next term we will be covering a variety of topics such as persuasive writing, descriptive writing, narrative genres and report writing. Children will also take part in a number of literacy skills activities related to reading, grammar and punctuation, spelling and handwriting. We will link our literacy work to our topic where possible.



### Science

Y6 will be investigating numerous materials and their properties, analysing the similarities and differences between them. They will have the opportunity to use specialist - scientific equipment too!



### PE / Games Kit

Year 6 PE days are Monday and Thursday.

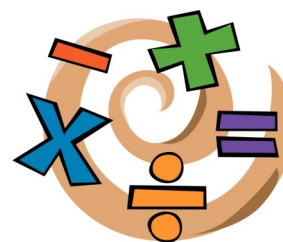
Children will need their PE kits (trainers, a t-shirt in their house colour and black/navy shorts) each week, it is useful if this kit could be left in school each day during the school week in case of occasional timetable changes and 'extra' PE opportunities.

As the days become colder, please ensure your child brings suitable additional clothing to take part in outdoor activities (leggings, tracksuit bottoms, jumper, jacket and gloves).

In the first half term, pupils will be developing their cycling skills in order to prepare for Thornbridge. If your child has a suitable cycling helmet, can they please bring it along on Thursdays.



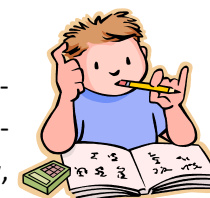
### Numeracy



There is also a specific Numeracy lesson for all children each day, covering skills related to the National Curriculum for Numeracy. We will be studying a variety of topics over the term, including place value, rounding numbers, looking at strategies for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions, decimals and percentages, problem solving, dealing with time and units of measure.

### Homework

Homework will be given out regularly by class teachers; children are asked to record all homework given in their homework diaries. We will also be using the blog, SeeSaw, spelling sites and times tables apps for homework challenges, (log on details can be found in homework diaries) so please ensure you check regularly and contact us if accessing these is an issue. Information on useful websites for homework can still be found on the school website. If you



### Contacting Us

It is important that if you have any worries or concerns about your child's progress or happiness in school that you let us know as soon as possible. The easiest way to contact us is to catch us at the class door before or after school. Alternatively, phone the school office and leave a message to be passed on or by sending a note with your child into school. Also, please regularly check our class blogs for opportunities to interact with your child's learning.

### Wanted

To help us in class with resources for various aspects of our work, could we ask parents to send in any newspapers.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

