

Welcome to Year 6!

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Welcome to Year Six! This handout will provide you with some information about expectations and routines. If you have any further questions, you know where we are 😊

Expectations

-As part of our preparations for secondary school, in year 6 we follow an amended version of the traffic light system. The children are all expected to be following school and classroom rules. If they break these rules then a verbal warning is given. If the behaviour continues then their name is put on the board. After this, the children will start losing minutes of their playtime. More severe behaviours may result in instant loss of playtime. However, if a child goes above and beyond (in their work or socially) they will have the opportunity to gain house points (we now use dojos).

-We have lots of opportunities for rewards with dojo/house points, stickers, certificates and termly treats that we will work towards as a class.

Belongings

-The children are responsible for their belongings in Year 6 as they need to become independent for secondary school. In order to help them do this, we would appreciate it if everything is named.

-Children are expected to change their own books independently (either books from the school library, class books or books from home) when they need to.

-Children in Year 6 are allowed mobile phones (as they are allowed to walk home), but these must be switched off and handed to the teacher to be kept a safe place until the end of the day.

Curriculum

-You will receive a letter telling you all about the topic at the beginning of each half term. The first one is coming home on Thursday (communications day). This term's topic is 'Hola Mexico'!

Assessment

-The children are assessed at three checkpoints in the year (Sep, Jan/Feb and May). In Year 6 we use previous SATs papers to support our ongoing, regular teacher assessments.

-The SATs are 'End of Key Stage' tests and therefore cover the curriculum from year 3-6 so our class work and homework will be a mix of securing Year 3-5 knowledge as well as Year 6.

Homework

-The children in Year Six will have a homework book. There is a space for you to sign the reading record weekly. Homework goes out on a Thursday and needs to be returned on the following Tuesday. The children ideally should read and practise

their times tables daily along with weekly spelling, maths and English (grammar) pieces.

Parent Hub and the Parents Evening System

- Letters (such as the weekly newsletter) come out via Parent Hub but paper copies of all letters are available from the office.
- Parents evening, clubs and tickets for our performances can all be booked using the Parents Evening System. The office or Miss Temperton can support you with any issues with either of these systems.

Farm Kitchen

- You can order hot lunches online on Tuesdays for the following week.

Snacks/water

- Children in Key Stage Two should bring their own snack to school and this must be a piece of fruit or a vegetable.
- Children can access their water bottles at all times during the day, apart from during the lesson input. If your child needs a water bottle, they can be purchased from the office. We would appreciate it if water bottles weren't screw tops as we have fewer spillages with 'sports cap' bottles and the bottles with flick up straws. Children can only drink water in the classroom; they are not allowed to drink juice.

P.E.

- We have P.E. on a Tuesday (outdoor) and a Thursday (indoor) this term. We would appreciate it if all items in the P.E. kit were named.
- Children are not allowed to wear jewellery to school, apart from one pair of stud earrings. The children must be able to take these out on their own for P.E. lessons.

Routines

- At the beginning of the school day, the first bell signals the children to come to line up and say goodbye. You are welcome to stand at the back of the playground to wave them off ☺. On the second bell, the class goes into school.
- If you have a quick message or concern, you can catch us on the playground in the morning before the bell goes. Otherwise, please make an appointment at the office: Mrs Norris can be available on a Thursday for longer chats if needed.

If you want to know more about anything mentioned above, all our policies (behaviour, uniform etc) can be found on our website, or feel free to come into the office for a hard copy.

Year Six also have a twitter account if you would like to see snippets of our day in school! (@teamhazel6)

Thank you for your continued support!

The Year Six Team