



YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM 2024



Kestrel Class	Osprey Class	Red Kite Class
Miss Hannick	Mrs Taylor	Miss Swinburn
Year 6 LSAs: Miss Pop, Mrs Khan, Mrs Cook		

Welcome back to Year 6! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and are back ready to learn!

Year 6 is the final year of primary school before your child moves on to secondary education therefore the expectations of behaviour and learning are high. We welcome your support in the education of your child and we believe that working together will enable your child to effectively access the more challenging curriculum and prepare them for a smooth and successful transition to secondary school.

Home Learning

- We plan homework tasks very carefully to support and consolidate school learning. Therefore, it is vital that you support and encourage your child to complete the tasks sets and communicate with their teacher if they have any problems doing so.
- For additional information on the Year 6 curriculum, please refer to the Long Term Curriculum Overview for Year 6.
- Information on home learning projects will be sent out shortly with an expected due date and available on the school website.
- CGP Books are set every evening, children to ensure these are completed.
- Writing homework is set every other week to further support children's writing and in preparation for upcoming texts.



- Mathematics
 - Mathletics tasks will be assigned for home learning each Thursday which must be completed by the following Thursday. This will be linked to the maths learning in lessons that week.
 - On a daily basis for at least 10 minutes, your child should practice their times tables using the Times Table Rock Stars site.



- English
 - Reading - Please ensure that your child reads daily on Bug Club answering the comprehension questions as they read. More details on reading books and reading records will follow.
 - Spelling – A Spelling Shed activity will be set each Friday and needs to be completed by the following Friday.
- **Usernames and passwords for online home learning are in homework diaries.**

PE Days & PE Kits

Our PE days as of 2024 will be on a Wednesday and Friday for all Year 6. **The expectation is that your child comes into school in their PE kit on those days.** Please ensure each item of your child's PE kit is labelled clearly with their name and that no jewellery is worn on PE days.

Pencil Cases

Children are to use the standard school pencil case (as purchased from the office). Please do not buy new pencil cases for school as they will be sent home. If your child requires any replacement equipment, please order these via Scopyay.



Marvellous Me



Marvellous Me will be used to send out key information as well as to celebrate your child's successes. It is essential that you are signed up to the app and that you check it regularly.



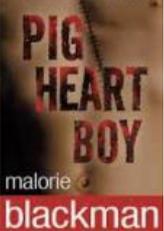
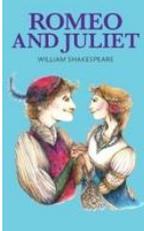
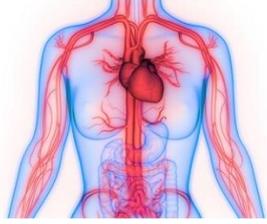
Remember to check if your child is a published author on Pobble!

Important Dates

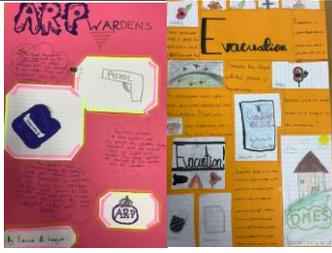
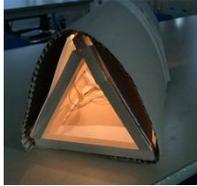
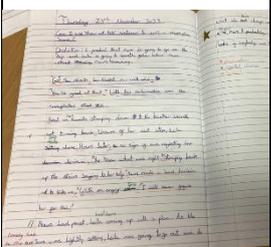
2 nd January	Inset Day
11 th January	Thames Explorer Trust Visit
29 th Jan-1 st Feb	MOCK SATS
6 th February	Parents evening
7 th February	Parents evening
12 th February	Half term
19 th February	Inset Day
20 th February	Back to school
7 th March	World Book Day
20 th March	SATs Information Evening 3:30/5:30pm (Classrooms)
28 th March	Break up at 2pm

More information on key school events such as parent consultations will follow.

At APPS, we follow The Literary Curriculum with Literacy Tree, which places quality literature at the core of English teaching. Below are the texts that Year 6 will study over the course of the term. If you are able to discuss the books with your child as we study them, it would really support their learning. All books are available from bookshops and local libraries. Please refer to the whole school text overview on the school's website for the texts studied in the spring and summer terms.

Spring 1		Spring 2	
			
World War 2 Cross-Curricular Writing	Pig Heart Boy By Malorie Blackman	Romeo and Juliet William Shakespeare	Cross-Curricular Writing linked to science learning

Celebration of Autumn Term Learning

				
In our Geography lessons, we used Digimaps to look at different evacuation locations and see their distance from our school.	We enjoyed researching different aspects of World War 2 from air-raids, to blackouts and the Axis and Allies countries.	In DT, we researched, designed and created our own World War 2 Anderson Shelters.	In Science, we enjoyed our learning on our unit of electricity, we used our learning of circuits to give light to our Anderson Shelter.	In English, we wrote our own narratives linked to Leila and the Blue Fox.
<p>We had a wonderful visitor share their experiences with us over this term. Thank you to Lesley for sharing your experience of evacuation linked to our World War 2 unit.</p> 		<p>We had a fantastic trip to Lincolnsfield, to support our learning of World War 2. We experienced a recreation of the Blitz, Dig for Victory garden, War Museum, 1940s school and 1940s home.</p> 		

For further information or queries, please check the school's website or Twitter accounts.

Website: www.ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk Twitter: @Ashford_Park

Should you have any queries, please contact the office on info@ashford-park.surrey.sch.uk

We are very much looking forward to working with you to give your child the best possible learning experience at APPS.

Year 6 Team

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