# YEAR 6 CURRICULUM CHAT

#### THE YEAR 6 DAY

- This year, children will be taking part in Maths and English activities every morning. Each session lasts roughly an hour.
- In the afternoon sessions we have timetabled in a mixture of PE, Art, Philosophy, ICT, Science, Topic and Spanish.
  - As we move towards organising the play and rehearsing, our afternoon timetable will change to reflect those preparations.
    - Sets will remain in the morning.

# <u>Curriculum Coverage</u>

Our topics this year are:

- Mythology
- Stage and Screen
  - World War 2
- Looking back, looking forwards.

Our Science topics this year are:

- Forces
- All living things
- Evolution & Inheritance
  - Electricity
    - Light
  - Changing Materials

### **MATHS AND ENGLISH**

- Our focus in Maths and English can change from week to week.
   The best way to keep up with our learning goals for each week and support learning at home is to look at the weekly overview.
  - This can be found on our school website and is updated each week. If you have questions regarding the overview or how to support your child's learning you are welcome to arrange a time to meet with us.
  - Children are in sets for Maths and English according to their current learning needs. There are 4 sets which each of the Year Six teachers will take and there will be two parents evenings in Autumn and Spring term to discuss your child's progress. But feel free to contact your child's set teacher before or in-between these evenings should you have any concerns.

# **OUR EXPECTATIONS**

- In May of next year the children will sit a series of standardized assessments.
- The children will be tested in Mathematics, Reading comprehension, Spelling and Grammar. We might also be in a selected group for a Science assessment.



 These SATS will be marked externally and the results will be reported to us all in late June/ early July.

#### **OUR EXPECTATIONS**

- We are now entering into our third year with a new assessment system for reporting attainment in year 6.
- For Maths, Reading and Spelling and Grammar children will be given a scaled score from 80 – 120 according to how they do in the SATS tests.



- In each of these assessments, the expected score for a Year 6 child will be 100.
- Level 6 no longer exists. All children will be faced with questions which would have belonged in that strata of assessments.
- A child scoring 110 or more is considered the equivalent of achieving a level 6.



End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessment – Working at the Expected Standard					
Nar	me:				
The	pupil can write for a range of purpos	ses and audiences (including writing a short story)			
•	Creating atmosphere, and integrati action	ing dialogue to convey character and advance the			
•	Selecting vocabulary and grammat required mostly correctly	ical structures that reflect the level of formality			
•	Using a range of cohesive devices, including adverbials, within and across sentences and paragraphs				
•	Using passive and modal verbs mos	stly appropriately			
•	Using a wide range of clause structures, sometimes varying their position within the sentence				
•	Using adverbs, preposition phrases detail, qualification and precision	s and expanded noun phrases effectively to add			
•	Using mostly correctly	inverted commas			
		commas for clarity			
		punctuation for parentheses			
•	Making some correct use of	semi-colons			
		dashes			
		colons			
		hyphens			

# OUR STYLES OF LEARNING AND RECORDING

- We favour an approach to learning which offer children a broad range of learning opportunities.
- Children will work in a range of groups sizes and independently (where appropriate) throughout the year.
- We believe in discussion and enquiry as fundamental learning tools. Children learn when they active participants in their own education and are able to share their ideas and discoveries with each other.
- Children will record in text books, laptops, posters, sugar paper, whiteboards and books they make themselves. Their work in their text books will be assessed and commented on by teachers.

#### **MARKING**

To make the marking process more meaningful for children we have slightly altered how we assess written work. Children will have self-assessment boxes to fill out as well as having a selection of errors pointed out for correction by them.

Positive comments will also be made to highlight what they have done well, and where appropriate, 'challenges' or tasks will be set for them to complete in lesson.

Start a sentence using a verb.	
Use a comma to punctuate a complex sentence.	
Use at least two exciting adverbs of manner.	

#### **BOOSTER GROUPS AND SUPPORT**

- Throughout the year, we will be identifying ways to support children's learning outside of their regular scheduled lessons but still during the school day. Some of these groups have already begun and there will be more timetabled as we move forward through the year.
- In the final months before SATS we will be scheduling booster groups to run before or after school to support areas of children's learning that will benefit them when they are assessed in May but also to aid their preparation for secondary school.



#### THE PLAY!

- Talks about the Christmas
   production have started and
   we are currently in the
   process of writing the play.
- The play can not happen without parental support.
   We will let you know as soon as possible and we can meet and discuss support wanted and needed!!
- The Play is a challenge for children. Please support your child through the possible highs and lows that can come with great expectations.



# Behaviour

- Core values
- There are 5 central and core values which underpin our behaviors policy. We will teach, provide meaningful opportunities and expect our children to be:
- Reflective
- Respectful
- Resilient
- Caring and Considerate
- Aspiring



# Behaviour

- Rewards
- Golden book
- Marbles

Sanctions
Sanctions for
unacceptable
behaviour will be set
according to this chart
which is on the website
and in every classroom.

Stage	Unacceptable Behaviours	Consequence	
Stage 1	Calling or shouting out     Swinging on chairs	Child to receive a reminder.	
	Shouting inside both in classroom and in the corridor Not following simple instructions Continuing to talk after countdown Consistently interrupting others while they are talking Not joining in an activity during learning time Not tidying up Running inside Talking in assembly	If children are caught running inside they will be asked to go back and walk.	
Stage 2	Persistent stage 1 behaviour	(After 3rd reminder)	
	Answering back or arguing with an adult Descripting the learning of others Throwing things in the class room Name calling Leaving the room without permission Refusing to follow instructions Being deliberately unkind to others Cheating or descripting other children's playground games Swearing	Child to be sent to their year group leader or a different room for minimum of 10 minutes (this time is then to be made up at break or lunch time). Visits to Year Group leader will be recorded in a behaviour book. If caught cheating 3 times outside in a game, child to receive one week ban from participatio in playground games. Teachers or TA on duty need to report to child's class teacher.	
Stage 3	Persistent level 2 behaviour  Persistent recaring  Physical retalisation  Persistent refusal to participate  Challenging an adult  Physical violence  Running or walking away from a teacher  Being abusive or threatming to others  Damage to school property including emirronnient	Child sent to see SLI member. Teacher informs parents of excidents via phone conversation. Child misses lunch and/ or play. Details will be reported to all SLI and year group leader in his e-mail, details to be logged in a behaviour foldo. Child can lose privileges such as representing the school.	
Stage 4	Persistent level 3 behaviour  • Pule or store-per this emante about the size of duties, in liquid product or sessably of others.  • Verbal about to alone  • Texaing is loca artificial promotion.  • Inflying others  • Texains while a executing up place at logary.	Sent to monthly of SE3 SET extres call home or arrange meeting with journer. hereuser exclusions hith to special a morning or an attention our life case.	

rersistent or extremely serious stage 4 behaviour will lead to either a fixed term or permanent exclusion from the school

#### **PROBLEMS OR CONCERNS**

- As a staff we are always open to meeting parents to discuss any issues you have. Please arrange a time with your class or sets teacher.
- From 8:40 through till 3:15 our focus is the children and managing the learning environment. We are unable to discuss matters in these times which you would not categorise as urgent or integral to your child's day. Conversations about general attainment or on-going social issues are best had at an appointed time.

# Other information

- Punctuality
- Snacks
- PE kits
- Water
- PGL and Secondary transfer evening – 3<sup>RD</sup> October 7pm