



September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## The Year 6 Team

Welcome to Year 6! We hope that you had a fantastic break and enjoyed your holidays. The Year 6 team this year is Sebastian Chamberlain (6B), Kirsty Edge (6P), Jon Goddard (6O) and Kyle Grimadell (6R and Year Team Leader). Support staff are Jo Bewick, Amy Bridgman and Emma Rose.

## Curriculum

**History** – Angles and Saxons

During October, we will also be celebrating Black History Month. In addition to looking at significant people and events from the past, we will be celebrating the continued achievements and contributions of Black people to the UK and around the world. More information will be sent soon.

**Geography** – Rivers

**Science** – Biology

**RE** - Buddhism

**PE** – Jason Bichri and Mario Vitrano will be teaching each class once a week. The class teachers will also be teaching their class PE.

**Art** – will be taught by Amy Bridgman

**Maths** - will be taught in sets which begin on Friday 10th September. The topic will be on the weekly overview and every week will include mental maths on Monday, times tables on Wednesday and arithmetic practice on Friday.

**English**- Writing will be taught in class and reading will be taught in sets which will begin on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September. Spellings will be sent home weekly and spelling tests will take place on Fridays.

## Year 6 Curriculum Overview

We are in the process of filming a video of us talking about the year ahead, providing you with an overview of the curriculum that will be taught this year. We will cover the different subjects taught in Year 6 and introduce the different topics. We hope to cover most of the things you might have questions about, but after it's been uploaded to the website and we've sent the link, if you still have specific questions, please speak to your child's class teacher or send an email to school for the attention of Year 6

## PE

Children will need to wear their PE kit on PE days. This should be loose fitting clothing and trainers. PE days are on a two week timetable:

|        | 6B                | 6O                   | 6P                   | 6R                |
|--------|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Week 1 | Monday and Friday | Monday               | Monday               | Monday and Friday |
| Week 2 | Monday            | Monday and Wednesday | Monday and Wednesday | Monday            |

## Year 6 Residential Week PGL

We have arranged to take the Year 6 group on a residential activity course to Manor Adventure at Norfolk Lakes from Monday to Friday, 23 - 27 May 2022. The activities available include: Climbing,

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Abseiling, Fencing, Archery, Orienteering, Obstacle Course, and many more. We will be providing more information in due course.

### **School Play**

We are pleased to announce that the school play will be returning to its usual time of year and we will be preparing for performances on 7 – 10<sup>th</sup> December! All of the children in Year 6 will be performing in the play and there will be other ways for children to get involved, including choir, orchestra, backstage, lights and sound and other production roles. The children will begin to prepare for the play at the end of this half term and we will announce more details in October.

### **Trips**

We are currently in the process of researching and bookings trips for this academic year. We will let you know when we have finalised details of these outings.

### **Home Learning**

Topic home learning will go out every half term. English and Maths home learning will be sent out twice a term. Spellings will be sent home weekly.

### **Punctuality**

The gates are opened at 8.45am for all junior children. Classrooms will be open from 8.50am and children should go directly there rather than staying in the playground. The children will have time to hang up their coat, bag etc. and be in the classroom ready for registration at 9.00am. If the children are not in the classroom by 9.00am they will receive a late mark. If your child arrives after 9.00am they need to go via the office.

### **Healthy Snacks**

Children in the juniors can bring a healthy snack to eat at the morning break. This can only be a piece of fruit, some chopped fruit or vegetables - not cereal bars, crisps or biscuits. We also ask that children should only have plain water in their water bottles, not sugared flavoured water or juice. Where possible please avoid using single-use plastic containers.

### **No Nuts**

Several children in the school have serious nut allergies. We ask that parents/carers do not put any nut products in your child's packed lunch or send any birthday treats in with nuts. We thank you for your cooperation.

### **Medical conditions & food allergies/intolerances**

It is vital that we have accurate information about any medical conditions or food allergies/intolerances your child may have. Please report any changes to the school office.

**Contact details** –for safeguarding reasons schools should hold more than one emergency contact number for each pupil. If you have a new mobile number/email/home address, or you need to update the details of other contacts, please let us know via email [admin@coleridgeprimary.net](mailto:admin@coleridgeprimary.net)

### **Absence**

If your child is not in school due to illness or for any other reason please phone or email the school before 9am to explain why - [admin@coleridgeprimary.net](mailto:admin@coleridgeprimary.net) This is for safeguarding reasons and your child is at risk of having an 'unauthorised absence' if we do not know the reason. If you need to request additional time off school for your child then you must fill in an 'Application for pupil leave of absence during term time' form, available at either office. These will be considered on an individual basis; however please bear in mind that we no longer authorise absences for holidays during term time. Thank you for your co-operation.

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**Mobile phones and smart watches** – for safeguarding reasons, we ask that children do not bring mobile phones to school. If they do bring a phone, it must be switched off on school grounds and kept in their bag. We are also asking children not to wear smart watches to school. If they do, they should only be worn as a means of telling the time, therefore all the functions should be turned off until the end of the school day and they have left the school grounds. These items are brought to school at their own risk, we cannot accept any responsibility for phones or watches.

**Dates for your diary**

**INSET days for 2021-22**

Friday 8th October: Reading INSET

Monday 1st November: CLPE Phonics Session 1

Monday 24th January: CLPE Phonics Session 2

The fifth INSET day is still to be finalised.

**Term dates 2021-22**

Half term holiday - Monday 25 October - Friday 29 October

Autumn 2 - Monday 1 November - Friday 17 December

School holiday - Monday 20 December - Monday 3 January 2022

**Spring Term 2022**

Spring 1- Tuesday 4 January - Friday 11 February

Half term holiday - Monday 14 February - Friday 18 February

Spring 2 - Monday 21 February - Friday 1 April

School holiday - Monday 4 April - Monday 18 April

**Summer Term 2022**

Summer 1 - Tuesday 19 April - Friday 27 May

Half term holiday - Monday 30 May - Friday 3 June

Summer 2 - Monday 6 June - Thursday 21 July

Thank you for your ongoing support, we are looking forward to a busy and successful year ahead.

Yours sincerely

The Year 6 Team