



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 6! We hope that you had a fantastic break and enjoyed your holidays.

## The Year 6 Team

The Year 6 team this year is Kirstie Henry and Anna MacKinnon (6P), Jon Goddard (6O), Jamie Breuer (6B) and Sebastian Chamberlain (6R and Year Team Leader). Support staff are Jason Bichri, Ginny Ludlow, Dave Nice, Rachel Lambert and Sue Wickings.

## 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** – A connected Amazon

**Science** – Living things and their habitats

**Computing** – Life online and history of computing

**Religions and world views** – How people express their beliefs

**D&T** - Textiles

**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 Gemma Curtis

**Maths** - will be taught in sets which begin on Friday 9th 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 Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>. Spellings will be sent home weekly and spelling tests will take place on Fridays.

**Black History Month** - the theme for this year's Black History Month will be 'finding a voice; telling stories'. Further information regarding the events and activities that we are planning will be sent out nearer the time.

## Year 6 Curriculum Overview

Year 6 will be holding their Curriculum Chat on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September straight after drop off at 9:05am in the West hall. This will be a brief overview of the Year 6 curriculum and a chance to ask any questions you may have, followed by tea, coffee and pastries. If you are not able to attend the curriculum chat, all of the information will be made available in the Year 6 area on the school website.

## PE

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

	6B	6O	6P	6R
Week 1	Tuesday and Friday	Thursday	Tuesday and Friday	Thursday
Week 2	Tuesday	Monday	Tuesday	Monday

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### **Year 6 Residential Week - Norfolk Lakes**

We have arranged to take the Year 6 group on a residential activity course to Manor Adventure at Norfolk Lakes from Monday to Friday, 26 - 30 June 2023. The activities available include: Climbing, Abseiling, Fencing, Archery, Orienteering, Obstacle Course, and many more. We will be providing more information in due course.

### **School Play**

The school play will be performed at its usual time of year, Christmas, and we will be preparing for performances on 6 – 9<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**

English, maths and wider curriculum home learning will go out every half 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. If you would like your child to make their way to and from school independently, please email the school office to confirm that you give permission for them to do so. When collecting your child at the end of the day, please leave the school grounds promptly.

### **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)

### **Belongings and our environment**

As a school we encourage and promote respect for our possessions and the school environment. This year we are having a focus on looking after our own belongings. Last year, our lost property boxes were overflowing. This year, in an effort to encourage children to value their possessions and care for our environment, please make sure your child returns home with all their clothing items and personal belongings.

### **Water bottles**

To make it easier to locate and return misplaced bottles, please make sure your child's name is written on their water bottle. Bottles should be taken home and washed on a regular basis.

### **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.

### **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**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September** - Mr Choueke will be running an 'Introduction to Coleridge' presentation. This is for all parents/carers whose children have recently joined Coleridge from Years 1 to 6. The talk will be in the West hall (junior side) and start at 9.10am.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – Parents evening. This parents evening will be a face-to-face one and will take place in school. More details will be sent out nearer the time.

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October:** INSET day (school is closed for all children).

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January:** INSET day (school is closed for all children).

The other INSET day is still to be finalised.

**Term dates 2022/2023:** <https://coleridgeprimary.net/school-calendar/>

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

Yours sincerely,

The Year 6 Team