

Autumn 2 2020 Newsletter

Year 6

Well done for a great start to Year 6.

The children have shown great resilience and have adapted to the new timetable and safety systems extremely well.

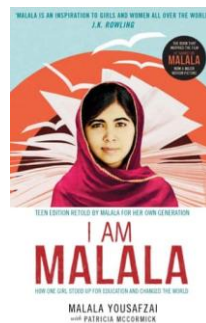
We have lots of new and exciting things planned for this term as we continue to prepare for SATs. It is very important that your child is completing their homework each week and also reading every day as the extra practise at home will help to prepare them.

Please feel free to catch us on the playground or make an appointment to see us if you have any questions, we are here to help.

Mr Bullock & Miss Shinn

English

We are very excited to be reading two novels this half term. A fantasy novel by J. K. Rowling for the first 4 weeks and then 'I am Malala', a moving true story about how one girl stood up for her right to an education. We will be using these novels to develop the children's writing style and ability to write a variety of genre. There will be a chapter uploaded each day on Showbie and we expect every child to read the book at home daily (improving their fluency and understanding). Please speak to the class teacher or contact school if you are having difficulty accessing these resources online and we will assist you or provide your child with a hard copy.



White T-shirt
Black or navy blue leggings /
tracksuit bottoms (Not too long
or baggy) / shorts
Plimsolls / trainers
A spare jumper or hoodie (blue
or black) for cold weather

Important Dates

Parents' evening (Remote): 23/11/20

Xmas lunch & jumper day: 9/12/20

End of term party: 17/12/20

Last day of term: 18/12/20 2pm

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INSET: 4/1/21

Children return to school : 5/1/21

Please see newsletters for further updates due to Government restrictions and updated risk assessments.

PE Days

6ES - Mondays

6AB - Thursdays

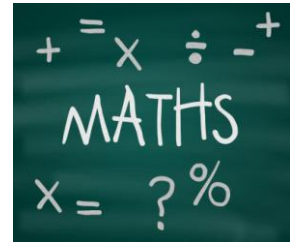
This half term the children will be developing their fitness skills and also learning how to play dodgeball.

PE Kit

Please ensure your child arrives at school wearing on the correct kit their PE day and all items have clear name labels.

Maths

This term, we will be focusing on fractions, percentages and units of measure. We will also be developing the children's problem-solving and reasoning skills in these areas and will be lots of fun! We are now using 'Power Maths' along with White Rose to improve reasoning skills and weave them into all lessons.



Science

The topic for this half term is 'Living Things and their Habitats'. The aim is to observe different living things and explore their habitats and dietary needs. We will be looking at the classification of animals and plants, different habitats and climates, and how animals' characteristics adapt to their environment. Some revision work on food chains and food webs will be included from Yr 5 content to ensure all areas of the curriculum have been covered.



Creative Curriculum

'Extreme Earth' is the topic for Autumn 2. We will be exploring climate change; cause and effect, and also some of the more drastic features our planet exhibits such as volcanoes and earthquakes. This will include learning about physical geography, including: climate zones, biomes and vegetation belts. We will also be linking this to English, PSHCE and Science.



Homework

As a reminder, all children are set weekly homework on Thursdays or Fridays that relates to their completed learning in class. This will consist of one English activity, one Maths activity and the children are expected to read every night. Reading will often be shared on Showbie so please ensure your child checks for a new chapter each night or contact us if you do not have internet access so we can provide copies. They will also be regularly tested on spellings and times tables. Completed homework should be brought into school by Wednesday.



Drinking Water

Learning is thirsty work; children are encouraged to bring in a clearly labelled water bottle to school, especially as currently we are unable to use the shared water fountains.

