



Year 6 Newsletter

Autumn 2023

A warm welcome back to Maple School and we hope you had a lovely summer holiday. It is a very special time for the Year 6 children and we hope they will enjoy the added responsibilities that come with being at the top of the school.

Mrs Noble will be teaching on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Mrs Theivam will be teaching on Thursday and Friday. Our new class Teaching Assistant will be Mrs

Zolynski.

During Maths this term, we will be working regularly on arithmetic, developing skills for faster and more accurate work using the HfL Essential Maths Scheme.

In English we will be discussing and reading a selection of fiction texts and writing our own stories. We will also be studying and writing poetry. Our Library day is on Monday, where children will have the opportunity to borrow at least one book. For Guided Reading on Fridays, children will need their copy of 'Goodnight Mr Tom'. If you already have a copy at home that an older sibling has used, please can this be brought into school. This will also be used for their homework in the first term.

The children will also have a wide and varied curriculum including: Science- (Everything Changes); Geography - (Climate Change); History (WWII) to mention just a few.

Our allocated PE lessons are on Mondays and Thursdays. The children will now need to bring the relevant kit to school in a P.E bag so that they can change at school, this should include suitable outdoor trainers. When the weather turns cold, the children are allowed to wear Maple tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt.

It would be helpful for each child to have a sensible, small pencil case. We will provide them with an HB pencil and a blue ink pen, although they are very welcome to use their own (but please no gel pens or biro's).

Children will be given English, Maths and Spelling homework each week on a Friday which must be handed in by the following Tuesday. This will be set on Google Classroom. If you are unable to access Google Classroom, please let us know as soon as possible. Maths homework will be online, using Mathletics. Log-ins and passwords will be given out. Children are also expected to practice their Times Tables regularly. English Homework will be linked to 'Goodnight Mr Tom'. Alongside this, children will be undertaking an extended personal project about a decade from the 1900s. More details to follow. Spellings will be tested on a Friday. Sometimes, homework related to other curriculum areas will be set. If there are any queries regarding homework, please contact us via email (admin@maple.herts.sch.uk), not through Google Classroom.

The Year 6 Curriculum Overview is on the school website if you require any further information.

Please make sure that your child wears the appropriate school uniform at all times and strictly observes the rules about healthy daily snacks, which should be a piece of fruit or vegetable.

If your child needs to bring a mobile phone into school an agreement needs to be collected from the class teacher and completed. Phones will need to be switched off at the school gates and handed in to the class teacher each day, and they will be returned to the pupils as they leave the classroom.

Here are some dates for Year 6 for this term :

Book Fair - Wk beg 9th October

Tuesday 17th October & Thursday 19th - Parents' Evening

Legal workshop - 31st October

Individual photos - 2nd November

Bikeability - Wk beg 6th November

Trip to the RAF museum - 23rd November

Junior Disco 14th December

Kind regards,

Ms Noble and Mrs Theivam