

Winkleigh Primary School

Year 6 – Autumn Term Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a lovely Summer and that the children are raring and ready to get back to school. Mrs. Gent and I are prepared and excited to have them back and looking forward to welcoming them into Year 6.

The school day will remain the same for Year 6. The beginning and end of the day procedures consists of the gates opening for all children at 8:45 before closing at 8:55. At the end of day, all children who are being collected from school (who are not on the bus) will leave school by the gate at 3:30. There are no longer staggered finishing times for KS1 and KS2 siblings.

The morning will consist of an English and Maths lesson followed by two lessons after lunch. We will be continuing the 'Round the World Challenge' and a weekly spelling quiz – these tests will both be on a Friday.

In English, our first sequence will be based on the Civil Rights movement in America. The children will be learning about the significant people involved in this movement and the effects this has had on modern America. The following sequences will include the work of Phillip Pullman, an adaptation of the opera 'Aiden' and the classic novel - Beowulf. In Maths, we will have a whole half term of place value and number work before moving on to the four operations before Christmas.

Our first humanities subject this year is Geography and we will be learning about both modern and historical maps. In Science, Year 6 will be learning about Light followed by electricity after half term. In Art the children will be studying and emulating the work of Escher and Thompson through drawing and painting. The children will have two PE slots each week, on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon. On the days that Year 6 have PE lessons, they may come to school in their PE kits – a white t-shirt, black trousers, leggings or shorts and trainers. This is also the case should you sign your child up to any of the after-school clubs.

At lunch times, we will continue to eat in our classroom. Can I please remind you all that children need to bring a named water bottle (containing water) with them every day as we do not have cups in school to provide drinks.

Please can we ask that if your child goes home on the school bus, you inform the office via a phone call or email should your child NOT be on the bus for some reason to avoid any confusion.

There is a Year 6 Welcome Meeting on Thursday 15th September from 3.30-4.00pm Please do attend for more information and do not hesitate to ask should you have any questions.

We are pleased to reintroduce class cake stalls, the Year 6 stall will be on Thursday 15th December. We ask for you to have a go at baking some cakes, biscuits or sweet treats and send them in. We then run the stall at the end of the day, for all to buy- it provides valuable funds towards our class trips.

Best Wishes,

Mr Davis and Mrs Gent