

Autumn Term -Year 6

Teacher's Message

Welcome to Year 6! We hope you had a great summer and are feeling refreshed and excited for Autumn Term.

All the children have returned keen to work as they approach their final year at RPA. It is certainly a busy year with SATs, a residential and a production all taking place. We look forward to watching the children grow and mature as they prepare for secondary school.

We have started our term with our Annual RPA Bake Off! This year's theme is focused on Climate Heroes (we will be finding out about the work of Boyan Slat), and this will be our inspiration for our Bake-off product!

Teaching in Year 6, we have Mrs Newington (Mon-Wed), Mrs Smith (Thurs-Fri) and are also joined by Mrs Lipton and Miss Hilliard – who will be join our Year 6 team.

Challenge Pack

Following the Bake-Off, our Autumn term challenge pack is called; 'Space Infinity'. This challenge pack will lead the children to focus on countries involved in the Space Race, Mars Rovers, the Moon landing and space travel. For our Hook, Year 5 and 6 will have an immersive Planetarium visit to RPA. Following our learning around Space, children will then develop their Computing and Coding skills to create a Space computer game for our challenge outcome which they will share with other children in the school.

English

In English we will be writing in a range of genres beginning with a speech about what makes a good team captain. Children will also be writing stories with unusual settings and instructions. For each genre we will be focusing on well-chosen words, varied sentence structure and introduce punctuation such as dashes, semi-colons etc.

Maths

This term in Maths this term we will be covering place value to identify numbers to 10,000,000 along with negative numbers. Also, we will be exploring adding/subtracting numbers with up larger numbers and ensuring children have secure written methods for multiplying and dividing (this will include methods for long multiplication and division). Towards Christmas we will begin to learn about fractions: simplifying, adding and subtracting them.

P.E

Our PE sessions will be on Mondays (with a Forest school session on Tuesdays)

We would advise children to bring their kit in on a Monday and bring it home on a Friday. PE kit must be worn (white t-shirt with dark shorts) No football strips are allowed.

Earrings must be removed or covered with a plaster.

R.E

This term we will be considering 'What would Jesus do? and how this helps Christians in their everyday lives. After half term we will learn 'Why do Hindus want to be good?' and about how Hindus teachings supports people to 'do good'.

We are Reading....



Homework

This year, children will get new spellings every two weeks. These will be in their homework diaries linked to a spelling rule or pattern We will be working on these in school but children need to learn these spellings at home.

Children have a login for **Times Table Rockstars** to support learning multiplication facts.

A written maths tasks will be giving weekly – this will be a similar format to our lesson tasks (chilli challenges). Children will work the 1-2 of the challenges given. This will be given on a Monday and needs to be returned by the following Monday.

Please continue to read with your child daily where possible and record this in your child's Homework diary. Children should bring their homework diary in everyday.

Dates.

Autumn Parents Evening- Wednesday 22nd October.

End of Half Term- Friday 24th October.

School re-opens- Monday 3rd November.

Residential meeting - Thursday 16th November 2:30pm

Whole school Christmas Performances- Tuesday 16th December & Wednesday 17th December.

End of term - Friday 19th December-12 noon.