



Welcome back! Children have settled in so well to Year 6 and we are really excited for the year ahead! Please do not hesitate to contact us via Dojo or before/after school if you wish to discuss anything with us. Thank you!

Year 6 is year in which we really focus on developing the children's **independence** and **organisation**, which will support them in their **transition to secondary school**.

The children will be given homework on **MONDAY** and it should be returned the following **MONDAY**. This will comprise of reading, spellings and specific pages from their CGP books. The children will self-mark these books on Monday morning. When appropriate, creative learning projects will be given out based upon our topic and the children will have longer to do these.

Spellings will also be given out at the same time and children will be tested on these the following week. Try finding them in your child's reading book, write the words out, say them aloud, talk about their meaning etc. – this will help really embed their spellings!

Reading records should be used to record daily reading. Children should be reading for 20 minutes daily (and a minimum of three times per week). We encourage children to fill out their reading record independently, but it should be signed by an adult before being handed in on **Mondays**.

If you need to discuss homework or reading with us, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher via Class Dojo.

Children will be asked to spend some of their break time/lunchtime completing unfinished homework and/or reading.

We will be going to Bury St Edmunds Rugby Club for rugby coaching this term. PE will take place **every** Friday morning this term. The children will come to school in their school PE kit and bring their uniform to change into. Please ensure you bring a water bottle on this day and, if rain is forecast, a raincoat.

PE kit: Guildhall logo top, plain black or blue trousers, plain black or blue jumper, trainers and coat (when raining or cold). No earrings or jewellery. Hair needs to be tied up. Please ensure all belongings are labelled clearly.

If you would like to volunteer to read, to come on trips or to support us in any way with our learning (bringing in resources, talking to the children about an expert area etc.) – we would love to hear from you!

Please practise your times tables as much as possible! It underpins EVERYTHING we do in maths in Year 6 and will make maths MUCH easier for your child.

- ✚ Hang up a times table sheet!
- ✚ Play on TTRS!
- ✚ Listen to some fun songs!
- ✚ Play some multiplication games!
- ✚ Quiz regularly!
- ✚ Write them out!
- ✚ Chant them!
- ✚ Make it fun!
- ✚ Keep practising!

Please remind your children that **mobile phones** must be switched off and put away before coming onto the school site.

If you give permission for your child to walk home on their own, please **inform the office** via email.

Year 6 staff

Jaguars

Mrs C Taylor
 Miss L Covill
 Miss Hazell (Friday afternoons)

Panthers

Mrs S Reynolds
 Mrs K May
 Mrs S Yarrow (Thursday and Friday afternoons)

Autumn Term 2024 **Key dates for your diary**

Trip to Hindu temple:
 18th October
 Parent Consultations
 21st and 22nd October
 Accumulator Event
 23rd October
 Deadline for secondary school applications:
 31st October
 Thorpe Woodlands:
 27th – 29th November
 Accumulator Xmas Fayre 13th December
Details will be sent to you nearer the time

This is just a reminder that we do not allow jewellery to be worn in school. The only exception to this is earring studs and watches. We will ask children to remove all other jewellery if seen. Therefore, please discourage this from home.

We would also ask that children don't wear smart watches for the same reason that we don't allow mobile phones with pupils during the day.