

# YEAR 6 TERMLY NEWSLETTER: AUTUMN TERM 2023

## WELCOME TO YEAR 6!

It is great to see that all the children have settled into their new class and are enjoying new challenges in their learning. Our two Year 6 classes are called Sita Brahmachari and Polly Ho-Yen. The Autumn Term 2023 is full of exciting themes! We would like to share with you some information about what your child will be learning over the Autumn Term, as well as offering you opportunities to support your child's understanding of subjects studied.

<b>HIGH EXPECTATIONS</b>	<p>We expect a <b>high standard of behaviour from all children</b> which is monitored by all staff in the academy. The Behaviour Policy (which can be found on our website) explains the academy rules, rewards and sanctions in detail.</p> <p>Every week we have a celebration assembly where achievements are shared and certificates are awarded including Star of the Week.</p> <p>Unacceptable behaviour, both in and out of the classroom, will be dealt with firmly but fairly according to the academy's Behaviour Policy. You will be informed of any major incidences, or if your child's behaviour results in two or more detentions within a period of two weeks.</p>	<b>UNIFORM</b>	<p><b>Uniform is the same for Years 4-6.</b></p> <p>All pupils must wear correct uniform, including acceptable footwear, this includes grey not black trousers also leggings are not allowed in school. A letter will be sent home with pupils who have missing or incorrect uniform.</p> <p>Please refer to the Uniform Policy on our website for further information, including PE kit. If you require academy uniform this can be ordered online or by visiting Uniform Direct in the city Centre.</p> 	<b>START OF DAY ACTIVITY (SODA)</b>	<p>For the first 15 minutes of every day there will be a focused Maths problems of the Day planned by the teacher. If your child arrives late they will miss this vital part of the school day. Therefore, it is important that your child arrives on time every day. The school day starts at 8:50. The school gates will be locked at 9:00.</p> 
	<b>TRIPS</b>	<p>Y6 will be taking part in a trip to <b>The Warning Zone</b> on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September.</p> <p>The children will receive a unique and interactive learning experience combining vital messages on personal safety and online safety in a single stimulating and memorable experience, which helps to prepare youngsters for increased independence and their transition into early adolescence.</p>			

YEAR 6 CURRICULUM

Over the Autumn term, children will learn about three topics in our theme lessons:

- **Knowing Me, Knowing You** - the pupils will learn about the human body including the circulatory system.
- **Black History** – we will explore the experiences and achievements of black people throughout history.
- **Our Living World** – we will look at classification and adaptation in the animal world.

Please see the sheet attached to this newsletter for more information about these topics in Year 6 this term.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

**Our PE days this term are Monday and Friday.** PE is part of our academy curriculum and **we expect all children to come into school in the correct uniform for P.E.**

**Our PE lesson on Monday will be swimming. Please ensure that children come to school with their swimming kit in a bag.**

**All jewellery must be removed.**

Earrings need to be removed on the day of PE or the child must be able to remove these themselves before the lesson. Teachers and Teaching Assistants are not allowed to help children remove their earrings. If your child has recently had their ears pierced they will have to bring micropore tape to cover their earrings until they can take them out.



HOMEWORK

We expect children to be **reading for at least 10 minutes daily**. It would be really beneficial if you could listen to your child read and discuss their book regularly to support their understanding.

Continued practise of times tables is also encouraged using our online platform **Times Tables Rockstars**.



SPELLINGS

These will be taught and practised in the classroom daily. We are using an approach where we revisit, learn, practise and apply our spelling patterns on a daily basis. We will be learning spelling patterns and the statutory Year 6 Spellings.



**If you have any problem or concern – who do you ask?**

- Class Teachers – Mrs Catlow, Mrs Bentley or Mr Gobey
- Deputy Principals – Mrs Bentley & Mrs Catlow
- Principal – Mrs Latham

Thank you on behalf of the Year 6 team.