



## Year 6 Newsletter - Summer Term 1<sup>st</sup> half 2024

Dear families,

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with information and reminders which we hope you and child will find useful.

In our year group this term, we will have the following adults;

Dudley – Mr Irwin

Warwick – Mr McMahon

Windsor – Miss Beardmore

Cardiff – Mr Dawson

We also have the following TAs who will be supporting across the year group: Mrs Kasu, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Peverall, Miss Voroniuk, Mrs Dhanerwal, Miss Warner, Mr McClean, Mrs Morgan and Mrs Lewis who is the Senior Lead TA.

Our sports coach is Mr Rayner

Mr Monaghan and Mrs Joseph will also be teaching in the year group.

### SATs week (Monday 13<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May)

On the week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May, it will be an incredibly busy week for the Year 6 children and we want to ensure that there is plenty of support in place for the children. Please can you ensure that you are supporting your children at home as much as possible and answering any questions they may have as best as possible. We have put plenty of provision in place to support the children during SATs week so that they have the best possible opportunity to succeed.

### Production

Like last year, we have decided to have an end of year production. We feel it would be a great end to the year for the children, reward them for their hard work and provide them with fantastic memories to finish off their time at WHS. More information will be shared including the dates of the performances once we know.

### Maths

In maths, we will be recapping lots of the Year 6 content to support the learning for our pupils for SATs. Some of the topics we will be learning about are long division, angles, ratio, pie charts, translation, reflection and measures. Also, to help the children to prepare for the SATs, we will be having an additional maths booster once a week and we will be continuing with our daily arithmetic lessons as this is proving to have a significant impact on our pupils' learning.

### English

This half term, we will be looking at and writing a range of text types including narratives, diary entries, non-chronological reports and newspaper reports. We will be focusing on writing narratives using a balance of action, dialogue and description; using a range of sentence openers to make our writing more entertaining; and using a range of punctuation, including semi colons and colons, effectively in our writing.

### Reading

In SQUIRT (Super Quality Uninterrupted Independent Reading Time), we will be reading Holes by Louis Sachar. We will explore the thrilling twists and turns in Stanley Yelnats intriguing past. In addition, to



help the children to prepare for the SATs, we will be having an additional reading comprehension booster focusing on previous test papers.

### Science

Our topic this half term is reproduction. This will include looking at how animals and plants reproduce, different life cycles of animals and investigating different types of fruit to identify the exocarp, mesocarp and endocarp.

### Primary Knowledge Curriculum

In Geography, we will be learning all about Australia. We will be looking at the different states located across Australia, the different biomes, key geographical features, James Cook and the challenges Australia face.

In Art, we are learning about the impressionist and postimpressionist art movement. We will be looking at the history of the style and practicing different ways to create landscapes using paint, charcoal and collage.

In RE, we are learning about the Muslims belief in Akhirah – life after death.

In PSHE, we will be teaching sex education and we will be sending out more information about this prior to teaching it.

In French, we are learning clothing vocabulary and how to say what we are wearing.

In Computing, we are using the SketchUp tool to design models of buildings and import them into Google Earth.

### P.E.

- Indoor/Outdoor – Athletics
- Outdoor - Cricket

PE will take place on the following days:

Dudley and Windsor – Thursday (indoor) and Friday (outdoor)

Cardiff and Warwick – Thursday (outdoor) and Friday (indoor)

We will be changing for PE after lunch on those days so please ensure that your child comes into school wearing correct school uniform. As the weather gets warmer, please send your child in with a hat.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle (containing only water) with them every day. It is important for children to stay hydrated as part of their general well-being.

### Snacks

The school continues to acknowledge the importance of good nutrition as an aid to learning. Therefore, can we please remind you that any snacks for break should be healthy e.g. fruit or vegetables.

We look forward to another super term ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Irwin, Mr Dawson, Miss Beardmore and Mr McMahon  
Class Teachers