

Welcome to Year 5/6



Who teaches in our classes?

Class teachers: Mrs Long, Mrs Bonsey, Mr Bromley and Miss Cattley

Support staff: Mrs Young, Mrs Parker, Mrs Hughes, Mrs Thackeray & Mrs Bonsey.

What will I need to bring?

PE Kits need to be in school every day. Each class has different P.E. days.

Bring a full **water bottle** to school each day.

Planners should be brought every day.

Children may bring a small **pencil case** if they would like to.

We discourage the use of concentration aids unless discussed with your child's class teacher.

Weekly Timetable:

The usual timetable includes maths and literacy every day.

There is a rotation of lessons on a Tuesday afternoon where the children swap classes for either computing with Mr Bromley, RE with Miss Cattley or art with Mrs Long.

PPA is on Wednesday mornings and these lessons include a rotation of PE, art and French.

Mrs Long PE: Tuesday and Wednesday

Miss Cattley PE: Wednesday and Thursday

Mr Bromley PE: Wednesday and Friday



From your class teachers

We have been learning about our year 5/6 values: **respect, kindness, effort** and **resilience**. Your child may come home with a sticker linked to these values. The sticker will be linked to something wonderful they have done in school which the children should feel proud of.

How can you help at home?

Reading: Please listen to your child read three times per week and record this in their planner. This will be checked by the class teacher every Monday.

Spelling: The children are provided with one Ed Shed spelling task per week on a Monday, which is due in the following week.

Maths: Maths homework is provided weekly on Wednesdays, alternating between MyMaths and Times Tables Rockstars. Please support your child, particularly with their times table facts.

Other Subjects

Music

This term in Music children are developing their knowledge of music notation. Children will learn how to read musical notes on a staff, become familiar with different notes and understand how they express note duration.

We will move on to discover which instruments were used in Ancient Greece and the role music played in their lives.

P.E.

Our Spiral PE curriculum covers the following objectives for this half term: showing strength, dribbling technique, communicating to others, decision making, dodging opponents, shooting techniques and understanding why rules are important. These will be taught through dodgeball, rugby and hockey.

R.E.

This half term, we will be looking at whether it is better to express religion through art and architecture or through charity.

We will be learning about different types of sacred buildings and famous art work linked to religion. As well as this, we will look at the ways in which charity play an important part in many world faiths.

Topic (History/Geography)

This term in Topic, we will be learning about the Ancient Greeks and Romans. We will explore what life was like in these fascinating civilisations, including their homes, food, beliefs, inventions and famous buildings. We will discover how the Greeks and Romans influenced the world we live in today, while also learning about the places they lived and how their empires grew across Europe and beyond.

Computing

We will be learning about networks and computer systems. There will be a focus on using search engines and effectively searching the internet for information. We will develop our skills with Chromebooks. Our online safety focus will be Self-image and Identity.

French

This term we will be learning about Paris and some of its famous landmarks. We will also be making contact with our partner school in Houdan, a small town about 60km west of Paris. We will exchange videos and letters with their pupils.

Science

This term in Science, we will be learning about materials and their properties. We will investigate how materials can be grouped, dissolved and separated, and explore how solids, liquids and gases behave. Through fair tests, we will discover why different materials are suitable for particular uses and learn about reversible changes.

Art

We will be learning about the artist Leonid Afremov and his use of perspective in art. The children will create pieces of work using one point perspective with increasing challenge.

PSHE

This term in PSHE, we will be exploring the Jigsaw unit Being Me in My World. We will think about our hopes and goals for the year ahead and how to approach new challenges positively. We will explore our rights and responsibilities as members of our class, school and wider community, including what it means to be a responsible citizen. The children will consider how their choices and behaviour can affect others, and discuss rewards, consequences and making positive decisions. We will also explore democracy, the importance of having a voice and how everyone can contribute to a supportive and respectful classroom community.