

Welcome to Year 6

2017-2018



Our Northside Passports

- ◉ Respect
- ◉ Independence
- ◉ Creativity
- ◉ Perseverance
- ◉ Take a Risk

Expectations:

- Children need to be in school everyday. If they feel unwell in the morning, they can come to school and if they are too unwell to be in school, we will send them home.
- Behaviour needs to be exemplary-the children are now the eldest in the school.
- Uniform-the children need to be in full uniform including shoes not trainers and no nail varnish.

Topics in Year 6

- ◉ Autumn 1-World War II (Britain)
- ◉ Autumn 2- World War II (Germany)
- ◉ Spring 1-Under the Sea
- ◉ Spring 2- The Apprentice
- ◉ Summer 1-SATs
- ◉ Summer 2-Production

Homework:

- Usually consists of an English task, a maths task, mental maths/arithmetic (usually on Mathletics), science or history, reading and some spellings and/or grammar.
- Revision books MUST be purchased as I set homework from them as revision for SATs and we go through the answers and methods in class.
- Homework may increase nearer SATs.

Assessment:

- We will be sitting past papers in class in exam conditions as well as learning through them.
- We will be using past papers to teach the children. Eg we will use reading papers in guided reading sessions to teach the children to answer comprehension papers.
- Unfortunately there are very few past papers for the arithmetic paper or new curriculum content. So please do not use ones online as we will be using them in class.

SATs:

- The week of May 13th.
- Monday-Thursday mornings.
- Children will be working towards these throughout the year, beginning now.
- There have been changes over the last couple of years. A new arithmetic paper and changes to the paper 1 and 2 which are now called reasoning papers.
- We will have a SATs meeting nearer the time.

Boosters:

- All children will be involved in boosters
- Monday pm - English
- Tuesday pm - Maths
- Small groups to focus on the children
- After school-some children will be invited to extra boosters
- February half term and Easter break-some children will be invited to boosters. You will know if your child is involved before Christmas.

What the school does:

We support the children in preparing for the tests through:

- Revision
- Practice with past papers
- Small group work - boosters
- Keeping it in perspective!

Life with out Levels

- Most likely will be a standardised score along side the raw score.
- Schools now have the freedom to do their own thing we use:

TA → LO → observations → pupils work & tests.

- Language has now changed: Emerging, Developing and Secure.
- PROGRESS

Maths

- ◉ Formal written methods. Eg long division and multiplication
- ◉ Adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions.
- ◉ Reading Roman numerals
- ◉ Areas and angles in quadrilaterals
- ◉ Area of circle
- ◉ No probability

English

- ◉ GPS -the children are expected to know more.
- ◉ Modal verbs, past progressive, subjunctive form and different types of adverb.
- ◉ Spellings have a heavier weighting in writing assessments.

Production:

- After SATs we begin to focus on our end of year show.
- All of the children will have speaking parts depending on what they would like.
- All children are expected to take part.
- Shows are always of a high standard.

School Journey!

- Best week of the school year.
- Monday 10th-14th June.
- Climbing, high ropes, king swing, canoeing, kayaking, raft building, camp fire, quiz night, film night, disco and lots more.
- The children last year loved it and we all had a ball. Get your letters signed and deposits in ASAP.

Sex Education:

- The children will have lessons about puberty and relationships.
- We will arrange a meeting to show you exactly what we show the children nearer the time of us delivering the lessons.
- Lessons will be after SATs and are only 3x 1 hour slots.

How can you help?

- ◉ Help your child to develop a positive outlook to learning
- ◉ Complete homework on the day it is given
- ◉ Reading daily for at least 30 minutes
- ◉ Times tables must know off by heart
- ◉ Story writing
- ◉ Revision books

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