

# YEAR 6 TERMLY NEWSLETTER: AUTUMN TERM 2017

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

## WELCOME TO YEAR 6!

We hope that your child is looking forward to a rewarding and successful year. In Year 6 we have a busy time ahead of us, with exciting themes and trips planned, as well as the preparation for the end of Key Stage Two SATs in May. 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. This newsletter will also help you to plan ahead by giving you key dates before they are printed in the Purple Post, such as class assemblies and trips.

<b>HIGH EXPECTATIONS</b>	<p><b>As role models</b> for the rest of the academy, we expect all pupils in Year 6 to show exemplary behaviour and attitudes to learning.</p> <p>We expect <b>a 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 and House Points certificates).</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>OPPORTUNITIES</b>	<p><b>In Year 6 there are many fantastic opportunities</b> to experience roles and responsibilities outside the classroom, including House Captains, Assembly Monitors and Academy Council Representatives. Children volunteer for the roles and then must persuade the rest of the class that they should be given the role before a class vote takes place.</p> 	<b>ARRIVE ON TIME</b>	<p><b>With children in Year 6 taking SATs in May</b>, the learning that takes place in the Autumn Term will help your child to gain the knowledge and skills to be able to take the tests. Therefore, it is important that your child arrives on time (<b>by 8:55am</b>) every day.</p> 
		<b>UNIFORM</b>	<p><b>Uniform is the same for Years 4-6.</b> All pupils must wear correct uniform, including acceptable footwear. A letter will be sent home with pupils who have missing or incorrect uniform. <b>A reminder of the uniform policy was included on the back of last week's Purple Post.</b></p> <p>Please refer to the Uniform Policy on our website for further information, including PE kit. If you require academy uniform, all items can be purchased from the academy office.</p>	<b>START OF DAY ACTIVITY (SODA)</b>	 <p><b>This term we are having a whole-academy focus on handwriting.</b> We have decided to dedicate SODA time (between 8:45 and 8:55am) to handwriting.</p> <p>Therefore, during this time your child will have the opportunity to practise and improve their handwriting.</p>

YEAR 6 CURRICULUM	<p>Please see the sheets attached to this newsletter for more information about the themes in Year 6 this term.</p>	PHYSICAL EDUCATION	HOMEWORK	<p><b>Queensmead Quests</b> will continue to be given out once per half term. The aim is to provide a range of challenges for your child to choose from. We would be grateful if you can support and encourage them. If your child experiences any difficulties with the homework, we encourage them to come and see their class teacher for more support.</p> <p>In addition, we expect children to be <b>reading for at least 10 minutes daily</b>. It would be really beneficial if you could listen to your child read and discuss their book regularly to support their understanding.</p>
			TRIPS	<p>This term we are planning a trip to <b>Bradgate Park as part of our Raging Rivers theme</b>. Later in the term we will be visiting <b>Beaumanor Hall</b> to experience a WWII day. Look out for letters coming soon with further details regarding these trips.</p>
<p><b>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 6 trip to Bradgate Park <b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2017.</b></li> <li>Year 6 trip to Beaumanor Hall <b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017.</b></li> </ul>		<p><b>If you have any problem or concern – who do you ask?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class Teachers – Mrs Cory (Michael Morpurgo), Mrs Richards (Anthony Horowitz) or Mr Rupp (Lauren Child)</li> <li>Deputy Principals – Mrs Catlow</li> <li>Principal – Mrs Latham</li> </ul> <p>Thanks on behalf of the Year 6 team.</p>		