Year 6 Class of 2024-2025

I hope you had a wonderful festive break and managed to get time to spend it with family and friends.

This term is exciting with plenty of new topics and themes to explore.

Homework will continue to comprise of Maths, Reading and Spellings and from this term onwards a selection of SATs practice work. It is imperative that children get into the habit of completing this work and handing it in on time in readiness for Secondary School.

Please feel free to message me on Class Dojo – For anything urgent then please contact the school office.

Please remember the KS2 SATS are from Monday 12th – Thursday 15th May 2025. It is vitally important that children take these national assessments so please do not book any appointments or submit any leave of absence requests during this time.

Kind regards,

Mr Winyard, Mrs Heard and Miss Wright.

English

During this term in English the children will be studying the texts 'The Origin of Species and the Wolves in the Wall'. The children will develop their skills in order to do the following:

- to plan write a first-person narrative.
- to plan and write a balanced argument.
- to plan and write an information text.
- to plan and write a suspense narrative.

We will review all the Common Exceptions Words from Years 1 - 6 ensuring the children know how to read and spell them as well as continue to review spelling patterns learnt from Years 1 - 6 and look at Year 6 SPAG. We will also promote a love for reading ensuring the children are given opportunity to read independently as well as in our Guided Reading sessions.

Maths

In our Maths lessons, we will be ensuring the children are fluent in their basic operations and then using and applying these to solve Reasoning and Problem-Solving Maths questions. It is really important that the children continue to use Timestables Rockstars to practice the quick recall of multiplication and division facts at home. Fluency in Maths is about developing number sense and being able to use the most appropriate method for the task at hand so the children will continue to develop this in order to be able to apply a skill to multiple contexts.

We will also be looking at ratio, algebra, fractions, decimals, percentages, area, perimeter, volume and statistics.

Geography

In Geography they will learn about renewable and non-renewable energy sources, where they come from and their impact on society, the economy and the environment.

History

In History we will be studying the census and how it can be used to make viewpoints from a historical context.

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Science

In Science will be studying Living Things and classification and in second half term we will be studying Light.

PF

This term PE will be on a Monday and Thursday. PLEASE ensure all items are named and in a named drawstring bag. You will need to refer to the uniform policy on the website for the full kit list. Please note that cycling shorts are not part of the PE uniform unless there is a pair of sports shorts over them. As far as possible PE will be outside, so please ensure they have warmer PE kit as the weather gets colder. This term we will be doing Football, Tag Rugby, Netball and Hockey

RE

The children will study religion around the world.

French

This term the children will learn French words for different types of houses & rooms. They will use a writing frame to create a written description of their house and labelling (using related vocabulary) items in all rooms.

Computing

The children will develop their understanding about the use of big data barcodes, QR codes, Infrared and RFID technologies. The children will create and scan their own QR codes, manipulate real-time data in spreadsheets and present their findings. They will also analyse transport data to understand its usefulness to commuters.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday to be returned on a Thursday. It will be made up of:

Spellings –Spelling lists will come home and be tested every Friday.

Maths – A sheet will be set based on the current learning to enable the children to reinforce their understanding.

Reading Comprehension and Reading- It is important that children in Year 6 are regularly reading a range of different books for enjoyment. Children will also get reading comprehension weekly.

Website and Newsletter - http://www.overstone-wing.bucks.sch.uk

Remember to check the 'Latest News' on the school website to keep up to date with what is happening. The school newsletter will come out on the last Friday of the month and will celebrate what we have been up to and will tell you what is coming up in the next month. This will be sent to you via ParentMail.

Behaviour & Rewards

<u>Dojo points</u> – These are given to children demonstrating the school values, e.g. sharing a good piece of work or demonstrating good manners. The children will receive certificates to mark 50-point milestones in the celebration assembly.

<u>Sharing outside achievements</u> – Children will be able to share achievements from outside school in celebration assembly, e.g. swimming badges.

<u>Weekly certificate</u> – One child in each class will receive a values certificate in celebration assembly for showing the school values.

<u>Governor award</u> – Termly, the teacher's will vote for one person in their class who they feel has consistently demonstrated the school values. These children will be presented with a Governor badge to be worn on their uniform.

<u>Headteacher postcard</u> – these are awarded to children when they are sent to the headteacher for demonstrating good behaviour, completing good work and for clear evidence of showing the school values.

Equipment

Please send your child in each day with a clear named drinks bottle filled with water which can be refilled throughout the day. Your child should have a pencil case (that will fit in their tray) with a: 30cm ruler, 2 named writing pencils, rubber, glue stick, sharpener and a packet of colouring pencils. Please ensure where possible all these items are clearly named.

Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat for school which is clearly named when appropriate.

Mobile Phones

Children are allowed to bring mobile phones that are locked up during the day and are given out at the end of the day. Please ensure children have no alarms set on their phone that could go off during the day. Please read the mobile phone policy that was sent to parents at the start of the term and you must complete a permission slip to enable your child to have their phone in school.