Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter



Autumn Term 1 2024-2025

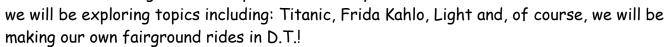
Lion & Gorilla Class



Welcome to Year 6!

Welcome back to Wellington as our new Year 6! We hope a lovely summer break was had by all!

We have had a fantastic first few days in our new classrooms and year group - already beginning (and enjoying!) our learning journey together. We have an exciting curriculum planned for the year ahead of us where





Curriculum Overview

We are currently reviewing our Curriculum Overview, to include some exciting new learning opportunities for your children. Therefore, we will update you in Autumn 2 with our new overview.



School Timings

Just a quick reminder that our external classroom doors will open at

8:35am and school finishes at 3:15pm. If your child arrives after

8:50am, please bring/send them to the school office first - thank you.

Attendance and Punctuality

Children need to be in school every day and on time. Face-to-face education is important in helping pupils to fulfil their potential. During school time, pupils should be in class with their teachers and peers and enjoying all the benefits that this brings.

Physical Education and Games

P.E. will be on Tuesday and Wednesday for the first half-term. P.E kits should be brought in on a Monday and will be sent home on Friday to be washed.

As the weather is becoming colder, tracksuits bottoms and your child's school jumper are suitable for outdoor games. Appropriate footwear is essential. Please make sure children do not wear jewellery to school on these days and that they have a hair band/bobble to tie their hair back, for health and safety purposes.

Home Learning

We have reviewed our homework provision across the Federation. Whilst homework can be an important tool in helping children with their learning, we realise that it needs to be purposeful and engaging. Therefore, we have made revisions to the homework that will be set going forward.



Reading: 3x weekly (minimum) - recorded in reading records (see below for more details). **Spellings:** learn 5 spelling words. These will be set by the teacher on Mondays and weekly tests on Fridays to check and address gaps.

Maths: Times Table Rockstars - 'little and often' throughout the week (roughly 10 minutes per day), aim for an hour over the week.

We thank you for your support with this.

Online Safety

A reminder that children should be supervised when using the internet. There are filters available and child-friendly search engines such as 'Google Kids'. Children are not permitted to use social media such as Facebook, Instagram or TikTok until they are aged 13+.



https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/understanding-age-ratings

Reading

Regular reading will support your child in all areas of their learning. In Year 6, we want to inspire a love and enjoyment of reading. Their book should encourage them to ask questions, wonder and express opinions as well as expanding their vocabulary and knowledge. Children must be reading at least **three** times a week for **20 minutes**, which needs to be recorded in their reading record alongside an adult comment or signature. Reading records will be collected **every Friday** to check if they are able to move up our reading challenge wall!





As always, your continued support is very much appreciated. If you do wish to discuss anything with us, please do contact the school office or arrange a meeting after school.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Osborne Lion Class Teacher Miss Tugwell Gorilla Class Teacher

Diary Dates

Autumn term

Event	Date
Chessington Trip	Wednesday 11 th September 2024
Autumn term Scholastic Book Fair	Monday 16 th - Thursday 19 th September 2024
Autumn half-term break	Monday 28 th October - Friday 1 st November 2024
INSET day	Monday 4 th November
Parent Consultation Evenings	Tuesday 29 th & Wednesday 30 th November 2024
Last day of Autumn term	Friday 20 th December 2024

Long term

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Event	Date
INSET day	Monday 6 th January 2025
First day of Spring term	Tuesday 7 th January 2025
Year 6 WW2 Workshop	Thursday 13 th February 2025
Spring half-term break	Monday 17 th - Friday 21 st February 2025
Spring term Scholastic Book Fair	Monday 3 rd March - Friday 7 th March 2025
Last day of Spring term	Friday 4 th April 2025
First day of Summer term	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
Year 6 SATs Week	Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May 2025
Summer half-term break	Monday 26 th - Friday 30 th May 2025
Year 6 Residential at Marchant's Hill	Sunday 15th June - Wednesday 18th June 2025

Year 6 Weekly Timetable

Autumn 1

	8:40 - 8:55	8:55- 9:30	9:30-10:30	10:30- 10:45	10.45 - 11.00	11.00-12:00	12:00- 12:50	12:50- 13:15	13:15-14:05	14:05-14.55	14:55- 15:10
Monday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mat	ths		Spelling	Science	RE	KS2 Assembly
Tuesday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Ma	ths		Spelling	Art/DT	Outdoor P.E. Netball	Faith Assembly
Wednesday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English	Break Wat		ths	Lunch	Handwriting	Indoor P.E. Dance	Grammar	Class Assembly
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Thursday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental maths	Maths		Handwriting	Spanish	Music	KS2 Singing Assembly
Friday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Maths			Mental maths	History/ Geography	PSHE	Celebration Assembly

Our learning this term

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2					
Topic	Seven Seas						
English	Key texts: Key texts:						
	Survivor (fiction story linked to	Blue Planet (TV manuscripts)					
	Titanic topic day)						
	Poetry Day text: Counting (whole	World's Worst Parents (fiction					
	school)	story)					
	Please see the medium-term plan for more detailed information.	Please see the medium-term plan for more detailed information.					
Reading	Key texts:	more detailed information.					
Journey	Fiction Novel: Boy with the Butterfly Mind						
·	Poetry: Overheard in a Tower Block						
	Non-fiction: Blue Planet						
	Wondergarden						
	Poetry: Enchanted Christmas Tales						
	Practice SATs papers						
Maths	Place Value Addition & Subtraction						
	Place Value, Addition & Subtraction						
Science	Light	Electricity					
Spanish	En la cafeteria	¿Que tiempo hace?					
History/	History:						
Geography	Titanic: Belfast						
	Geography:						
	Economic Activity: Belfast						
PSHE	Democracy Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds						
Art	Painting:						
	Frida Kahlo (links to PSHE unit)						
Design and	Circuits/Fairground rides						
Technology							
Religious	Christianity: Imagery	Christianity: Pilgrimage					
Education							
Computing	Online Safety	Programming : Creating variables and blocks					
Physical	Netball	OAA					
Education	Dance	Dance					
Music	Baghdad Short Ride in a Fast Machine						
Trips	Titanic Launch Day						
	Chessington						

Learning Links

Alongside Doodle Learning and Times Table Rock Stars, we have put together a list of website links that include activities/games which will allow your child to explore their learning further.

Maths

https://uk.ixl.com/maths/year-6

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z826n39/year/zncsscw

https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/math.htm

https://www.mathplayground.com/games.html

https://www.transum.org/

https://gridclub.com/#maths

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

https://uk.ixl.com/english/year-6

http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zv48q6f/year/zncsscw

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zt62mnb

https://www.spellzone.com/word_lists/folder-63

https://www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/learningactivities/languages/words/naming-nouns/

https://www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/learningactivities/languages/words/adjective-detective/

https://gridclub.com/#english

https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/grammar-vocabulary/grammar-practice

Reading

Use the website below to find aged related and genre categorised books which could be great for your child

https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/bookfinder/

https://www.lovereading4kids.co.uk/browse-by-age