

## Welcome to Year 5 and 6

### The Team for 2021-22

*6B Mrs Binney*

*6F Mrs Fox – joint Phase Leader*

*6T Mr Thornton – joint Phase Leader*

*Maths and English teacher (Year 5) Mrs Quinlan*

*Part-time teacher in 6F and 6B – Mr Cooper*

*HLTA – Mrs Horsman*

*Social and Emotional Support Leader - Mrs Murphy*

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Year 5/ 6 team would like to extend an extra-warm welcome back to all our children. So far, the classes have settled impeccably, taking all the in-school changes in their stride. We are very proud of them.

We would like to remind you of a few things:

Firstly, all children will be doing PE on Thursday afternoons each week. In addition to this, 6T will have PE on Monday afternoons and 6B/6F on Tuesday afternoons. On these days, we ask that children come to school in their PE uniform. We do expect them to look smart, wearing appropriate clothing with limited branding.

Our kit consists of a red school sweatshirt/ cardigan, plain white T- shirt, plain black shorts/black tracksuit bottoms. Children should come to school in appropriately-coloured sporting trainers. Please also make sure that no jewellery is worn for PE and that clothing is clearly labelled. PE sessions will commonly take place outside, so we do urge that children wear jogging bottoms to keep warm. Leggings will not be suitable for this, especially in the winter months.

As in previous years, children are taught Maths and English in single year, mixed ability groups. Mrs Binney and Mrs Quinlan will take year 5, whilst Mrs Fox and Mr Thornton will teach Year 6. The Year 5 groups may be subject to change in Autumn 2, as further new classroom spaces become available and groups can be evened up in size.

Homework should be up and running next week. Below are the timetables for both year groups. We would like children to be reading and practicing their x table facts regularly, using 'Times Table Rockstars', during the week. Children may bring a book from home to read to accompany the one they are reading from our school reading scheme.

Year 5	Year 6
<b>Mon</b> Maths in / Spellings and test	<b>Mon</b> Maths in
<b>Tues</b> English out	<b>Tues</b> English out
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Wed</b>
<b>Thurs</b> Maths out	<b>Thurs</b> Maths out
<b>Fri</b> English in	<b>Fri</b> English in, Spellings and Test

### ***Further information***

#### **Curriculum**

As much as possible, we teach in a cross-curricular way, through themes, with English, History, Geography, IT, DT, Art links. Children will continue to be taught French each week with Mr Cooper.

#### **Organisation**

As your child progresses through school, more is expected of them. We do expect them to be independent and well organised, keeping a reading homework diary, which contains a timetable and other important information. You can

help by giving them more responsibility to get their school bag ready for the following day and making sure homework is handed in on time.

### **Healthy Snacks**

As things stand, with staggered breaks, children in Year 5/6 have a later playtime. Accordingly, a healthy and filling snack is particularly important. Pre-paid school tuck is available. Please contact the office, should you wish for your child to access this.

### **Finally...**

You are very welcome to talk to staff about anything which might arise over the year. Please contact the office should you wish to get in contact with any of our teaching staff.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Fox & Mr Thornton

Useful links:

**[SATs 2019 Presentation to Parents](#)**

**[New National Curriculum 2014: Guide for Parents](#)**

**[Glossary for English at KS1 and KS2](#)**

**[Useful Websites for Parents Including Homework Sites](#)**

**[Year 5 & 6 Statutory Words](#)**

**[Maths Calculation Policy](#)**

**[Year 5 & 6 Long Term Plan 2020-21](#)**

**<https://trockstars.com/>**