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Welcome to Year 6!

Dear Parent / Carer,

Firstly, I hope you all had a lovely summer and that this update finds you well. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to Year 6- the final stop on the St John's adventure! My name is Mr Redfern and I'll be continuing in my role as Year 6 class teacher for the 2023/24 academic year. I'm really excited to get going with this year's class! Below, I'll outline some information for the year ahead.

A Bit About the return to school...

A reminder that it is not an expectation that parents / carers have to be waiting for them on school grounds, as alternative collection points can be made for our Upper Key Stage 2 pupils. Should you be experiencing any problems with arriving to collect your children at the required time, please inform the school and we'll work with you to make the necessary arrangements. Please can children wear normal school uniform for the first day back.

On Wednesday 27th September and Thursday 28th September, members of the class who have had permission granted will be participating in cycling proficiency sessions with qualified instructors with a view to earning Bikeability Level 2 awards. Please can the children wear outdoor P.E. kit on these days (black joggers, school P.E. hoody / top with a suitable jacket depending on the weather). The children will need to bring in their own bike along with a helmet. These can be brought into school on the Wednesday or alternatively can be dropped off on Tuesday between 3.20pm and 5.45pm. I will ensure all bikes are locked away in the school hall overnight. Please can all bikes be collected on Thursday after-school.

Pupils not participating in the Bikeability sessions can still attend school in P.E. kit.

A Bit About Our Timetable...

A copy of our Y6 class timetable for the Autumn term will be uploaded to the Y6 class webpage. For the moment, key things to remember are that our **P.E. days will be on Monday and Wednesday this year**. We will be continuing with the policy of children attending school in P.E. kit on P.E. days this year.

A Bit About the Year Ahead...

Year 6 is a busy year, with residential visits, school productions, end-of-KS2 assessments and an expectation of hard work and commitment to learning on a daily basis. Information on these areas will be provided in the form of parent meeting sessions as such events draw closer. In the meantime, here are a few reminders of what will be needed for the year ahead:

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- Homework will be given out weekly on a Friday and is expected to be completed by the following Thursday. Homework will be delivered through Atom Learning and an overview will be available through our Homework Padlet (link to this can be found on the class webpage).
- Children that read regularly will be putting themselves in with a fantastic chance to achieve their potential. There is an expectation that children read for 25minutes per day, 5 times a week. This does not need to be with an adult however it would be greatly appreciated if Reading Records can be signed by an adult. Reading Records will need to be returned to school every day.
- Please don't rush to buy revision guides for the end-of-KS2 assessments. There is still a huge amount to learn in the Y6 curriculum and we'll need every minute of every lesson to achieve this. There is a time and a place for well-considered revision...but the time to begin that is quite a way away yet!

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mr Redfern

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