

Hi!

Welcome to Year 6

Welcome back to Abbey Gates, welcome to Year 6 and welcome from Mr Rich and Mrs Miles. We have lots of exciting things planned for this term and cannot wait to see what your children will achieve.



Children in Year 6 are increasingly encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning. This year, we will be increasingly encouraging independence in preparation for bigger things to come, such as secondary school. Year 6 children are the role models of the school and I know this class will do Abbey Gates proud - demonstrating the school's **5Cs**: **Care** **Compassion** **Courtesy** **Cooperation** and **Confidence**.

BIG Question

In Year 6, this autumn term, we will be starting with our Discover Project, focusing on History through our Big Question, 'Who suffers the most during war/conflict?' This project is based around World War II: with the children developing an understanding of who was involved in World War II and why; what it was like to be an evacuee; what, where and why bombings happened; studying the impact of propaganda; looking at the key roles played by women; what anti-Semitism means and how this led to discrimination against Jewish people in Europe. We will explore identity, historical choices and what it is to be human.

Curriculum Focus

English Writing genres: Narrative (Diary/Journal), Recount/Narrative (Flashback), Blank Verse Poems, Formal letter/Persuasion and Explanations.

English Reading: 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll and 'Rose Blanche' by Roberto Innocenti

Mathematics: Place Value, Four Operations, Fractions, Converting Units of Measure.

PE: Gymnastics and Basketball

RE: What can we learn from people who resist discrimination and persecution?

Science: All living things and their habitats (Aut1). Electricity (Aut2).

D&T: Electrical systems: Steady hand game

Computing: Data and Information - Spreadsheets



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PE

Year 6 will take part in double PE on a Monday afternoons with Mr Martin. Please could all children come to school in their PE kit on these days. It's helpful if children do not bring earrings in on these days.



Year 6, Autumn Diary Dates

- Mon 9th September
Year 6 Parent Information Meeting
- Wed 11th September
DAaRT starts for the next 10 weeks
- Wed 16th - Fri 18th October
PGL, Residential



Drinks

We encourage children to drink water regularly throughout the day. Please ensure that your child's drink bottle is clearly labelled.

How can you support your children at home?

- **Reading:** There is a continued expectation in Year 6 that children read every night as reading is the foundation for all other learning. Please make use of the comprehension sentence stems on the school website to strengthen their understanding of what they are reading.
- **Maths:** Complete a Maths tasks, recapping an area of maths that your child struggled with in year 5. <https://www.iseemaths.com/lessons56/>
- Complete an arithmetic paper and self-mark. You can find these on the school website.
- **Spellings:** Learn the weekly 10 spellings, ready for being tested the following Tuesday.
- **Sticky Questions:** These questions encourage discussion. The Year 6 children will be given a different question each week and we will discuss them in class on Friday. Please take some time to discuss these each week.



Enrichment

In order to provide a range of enrichment activities, we would greatly appreciate parent donations to our school enrichment fund. We ask for a voluntary donation of £2 per term (or £6 for the year). Please make the donation via the school gateway. We thank you in advance for your support.

We will continue to regularly update our class pages with relevant information and updates regarding the amazing learning that will be taking place. 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 meeting after school.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Rich and Mrs Miles