Wednesday 10th September 2025

Dear Parents,

As your child begins a new school year, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Year 6 and provide you with some basic information about the routines and procedures of our class.

Staff

The Year 6 class teacher is Mr Kingsley. The class teacher and children are supported by Miss Blair and Miss Rebbitt. Miss Blair also supervises Year 6 during lunchtimes.

Curriculum

Please find a copy of the topics and curriculum that we shall cover over the next academic year on the Year 6 class page of MVPS website.

Uniform

Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct school uniform each day and it is labelled with their names and class. Children should wear black school shoes, not trainers; sky blue polo-shirt; grey trousers or skirt and a navy blue cardigan/jumper. For more information regarding our suppliers, please contact the school office.

 Start of the day

Mr Kingsley will collect the children from the junior playground at 8.40 am when the bell goes. Please ensure your child is not unsupervised in the playground before this time. Children come into school, and begin their day, with ‘Early Work’. We would also like to encourage children to take ownership of their own learning, which includes being organised – therefore it is their responsibility to put things in their lockers and take home anything they need.

The register is taken at 8.50 am, if children arrive after the register has been submitted, then the child should report to the school office on arrival.

Snack

Children who bring their own snack may bring healthy items but chocolate biscuits, crisps, sweets and fizzy drinks must not be brought as snacks. Our school policy is that children should only have healthy snacks at morning playtime. Please help your child to make healthy choices.

End of the day

Children in Year 6 are dismissed from the classroom into the playground. It is important that all children are collected by an adult if they do not have written permission to walk home by themselves, children in Y6 are aware that they must return to the classroom if they have not been collected. If there are any changes to picking up arrangements please let the school office know before 3pm. We would encourage you to collect your youngest child first wherever possible. Children cannot be sent to different classes to pick up siblings as each class teacher has responsibility for the children in their class. If children who are usually collected have not been by 3.30pm, they will be sent to our after school club, which will incur a cost.

P.E

All classes take part in weekly PE sessions of gymnastics/dance/games/swimming as timetabled. Children are expected to change into their PE kit; Mersey Vale PE kit is available - t-shirt, shorts and PE bag. Children should also have jogging bottoms and sweatshirt in cold weather. Please speak to the school office for more information about how any of these items can be ordered. Please ensure all items of clothing have your child’s name in. We find it most useful for children to bring PE kits into school on Monday and leave them in school until Friday. Y6 PE is on a Monday afternoon Friday afternoon.

Homework

Homework is given to all children in line with our Homework Policy. Brief details of the homework are as follows:

* Maths and English homework is given out each Friday to be handed back into class the following Thursday.
* Spellings are given out each Monday to be tested the following Friday.

School Trips and outings

Throughout the year the children will be given the opportunity to enjoy and take part in a full range of educational and sporting activities, both within and outside of school.

We follow local authority guidance with regards to ratios of children to adults and teachers complete a standard risk assessment on all outings. Letters with relevant information and consent forms will be sent to you when appropriate.

We encourage all children in Y6 to attend the outward bounds holiday as it is their final opportunity to attend a residential at Mersey Vale. Further information regarding payment plans etc. can be found in the initial letter.

Managing Medical Needs

We support and welcome pupils with medical conditions and aim to provide all pupils with medical conditions with the same opportunities as others at school. The school understands the importance of medication being taken as prescribed and parents must complete an authorisation form for this. All medication should be kept in our locked medicines cabinet and inhalers are kept in the school office.

Some children in the school suffer from asthma and have inhalers to be taken when needed. Children’s inhalers should be kept where they are easily accessible to them e.g. in the office. Any child who uses an inhaler must also have it available during any off-site lessons such as swimming or a school trip.

There are children in school with nut allergies and request that children refrain from bringing in snacks and packed lunches that contain nuts.

Medicines in School

No child is allowed to self-administer medicine in school. Parents should make a request for medicine to be administered to the school office.

Finally...

I’m sure you may have many more questions and I encourage you to pop into school and ask! In the

meantime, there is a lot more information available via our school website, and on Class Dojo.

Many thanks

The Year Six Team