

Year 6

Autumn 1 Newsletter



A huge welcome to all of the children starting Year 6! All of the staff look forward to supporting you with your learning this half term, especially with preparing you for your transition to high school. To apply for a high school, please use the following web site:

<https://www.blackpool.gov.uk/Residents/Education-and-schools/School-admissions/Apply-for-a-secondary-school-place.aspx>

The deadline for applications is Saturday 31st October.

All user names and passwords have been shared with the children and can be found in the front of their reading records. Please contact Mrs Hamilton or Mr Jones if you need a copy of these details.

Please support their learning at home as much as possible, including Reading into Writing, Maths and spellings. We also encourage the children to access Reading Plus, TTRS and Spelling Shed for at least 10 minutes every day.

How you can help your child at home:

- Go through the Maths KIRFS with your children and ensure they are confident with their tables.
- Play the games on Spelling Shed to help children learn the weekly spelling words.
- Go on Reading Plus or read books every day!
- Top Marks Hit The Button is a great website for practising times tables or Times Table Rock Stars.
- Practise telling the time with your child every day if they still struggle.
- Make sure they are organised each day with the correct equipment, including an always badge.
- Aim to listen to your child read at least once a week, even if they are fluent independent readers.
- Ask them about what we have been learning in topic lessons such as Science, Music and French.
- Make sure they have practised logging into the Google Classroom at home.

Key Information:

P.E. - Full PE kit should be in school every day as sometimes PE slots can change. This should include pumps or trainers, black shorts and a white T-Shirt.

Reading – We expect **all** children to read at least **three times a week**. We will be checking on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday so reading diaries must be in on those days and signed. If not, children will spend 10 min reading at break times on those days.

Spellings – Spellings will be tested weekly and are listed on the Year 6 page of the website.

BLT – GPS and Maths will be done weekly using the online platforms SPAG.com and Maths.co.uk. Homework will be set on a Friday and must be completed by the following Thursday. If it is not done, children will be given time during break and lunch time on the Thursday to complete the work. Children are reminded that we offer a homework club on a Tuesday after school.

Always badges – Please make sure children wear their always badge every day as it is a key part of our uniform and lets everyone know children are following the Boundary promises.

Uniform – Full uniform must be worn at all times. This includes ties.