



Walford Primary School

Meet the Teacher
Year 6
2019-2020

Welcome to Year 6

- **Teacher:** Mrs Nicholls
- **Supported by:** Miss Kershaw & Mr Roberts
- **Mrs Jones** will teach **RE / PSHE and French** on a **Wednesday afternoon**
- **Mrs Taylor** will teach **Art** on a **Thursday afternoon**
- Year 6 will have **PE with SuperStars** and **Music with Mrs West** on a **Friday afternoon**

Morning Routines

- Parents / Carers are encouraged to use the 'Drop and Go' system to reduce traffic congestion.
- Children are encouraged to arrive from 8.30am. There will be 'morning activities' to complete linked to our current learning.
- School officially starts at 8.50am. Anyone arriving after this time will be registered as 'late'.

End of the Day

- The class teacher will escort the children to the playground.
- Let the class teacher know if your child is going to be collected by someone different to usual.
- After the Easter holiday, Year 6 will make their own way to the playground at the end of the day, in preparation for the transition to secondary school.

School Clubs

- There are a range of clubs on offer and the Autumn list has been emailed to all parents / carers.

- Little Stars also provide after-school care as well as Breakfast Club. See the Little Stars booking forms for more information.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING FORM

Tuesday, 3rd September – Friday, 25th October 2019

Name.....Class.....

After School clubs are limited so book early to avoid disappointment. Please use the form below to book your child's place by ticking the sessions required. All cheques should be made payable to Herefordshire Council.

KS1 & KS2 Nature Detectives (Mon) Start date: 09/09/19 End Date:21/10/19 Time: 3.10pm – 4.10pm Cost per session: £2.50	Autumn Term 1 st half 7 weeks = £17.50	
KS2 Tennis Coaching (Tues) Start date: 03/09/19 End Date:22/10/19 Time: 3.10pm – 4.10pm Cost per session: £2.50	Autumn Term 1 st half 8 weeks = £20.00	
Mrs West's Recorder Club Year 2, Year 3 & Year 4 (Wed) Start date: 04/09/19 End Date:23/10/19 Time: 10.00am – 10.30am Cost per session: £1.00	Autumn Term 1 st half 8 weeks = £8.00 (This club is during assembly / breaktime)	
KS2 Miss Burford's Art Club (Wed) Start date: 04/09/19 End Date:23/10/19 Time: 3.10pm – 4.10pm Cost per session: £2.50	Autumn Term 1 st half 8 weeks = £20.00	
KS2 Mr Eaton's Football Club (Thurs) Start date: 05/09/19 End Date:24/10/19 Time: 3.10pm – 4.10pm Cost per session: £2.50	Autumn Term 1 st half 8 weeks = £20.00	
KS1 & KS2 Mrs Kershaw's Homework Club (Thurs) Start date: 05/09/19 End Date:24/10/19 Time: 3.10pm – 4.10pm Cost per session: £2.50	Autumn Term 1 st half 8 weeks = £20.00	
KS1 & KS2 Super Stars Multi Sports (Fri) Start date: 06/09/19 End Date:25/10/19 Time: 3.10pm – 4.10pm Cost per session: £2.50	Autumn Term 1 st half 8 weeks = £20.00	

Snacks and Drinks

- The Eco-Committee have suggested that in order to reduce plastic waste, all children should be encouraged to bring a healthy snack, e.g., fruit.
- Please ensure that your child has a bottle for water for the classroom each day. An alternative drink may be included for lunch.
- School lunches can be ordered by Parent Pay.

Year 6 Autumn Curriculum

- **Topic:** Murderous Monarchs (Crime and Punishment through the ages)
- **Maths:** Place Value, Addition and Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Fractions and Position and Direction
- **English:** Legends, Journalistic Writing, Narrative and Biographies/ Autobiographies
- **Science:** Light, Healthy Bodies, the Circulatory System and Transport of Nutrients.
- **History:** Murderous Monarchs (Crime and Punishment through the ages)
- **Geography:** Maps

More information can be found on the Year 6 Class Page on the school website.

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Year 6 Curriculum Map

Subject						
	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	Legends Newspapers Diary Writing Reports	Persuasion Stories with flashbacks Biographies/Autobiographies Poetry	Stories with historical settings Formal/Impersonal writing	Poetry Argument texts	Authors and texts Explanation writing	Playscripts Persuasion
Mathematics	Place Value Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division	Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division Fractions Position and Direction	Decimals Percentages Algebra	Converting Units Perimeter, Area and Volume Ratio	Properties of Shape Problem Solving	Statistics Investigations
Science	Light / Shadows The Human Eye	Animals including humans Healthy Diets / Circulatory System / Nutrient and Water Transport	Evolution and Inheritance	Living things and their habitats - classification	Electricity	
Computing	Inside Your Insides		Ancient Civilisations		Understanding and Challenges	
History	Crime and Punishment Through the Ages Romans to the Present Day		Mayan Civilisation		Britain – Legacy and Cultural Art	
Geography	Maps – Compass Directions / Six figure Grid References Sir Walter Raleigh / Sir Frances Drake / John Cabot / John Hawkins		Climate Zones / Biomes / Vegetation Belts / Time Zones Compare trade settlement with Ross-on-Wye		Human Geography – Natural Resources Famous London Landmarks	
Music	Roots Tudor Music Singing: Christmas Carols		Class Awards Maya Musical Instruments Replicating Rainforest Sounds		Moving On History of Music Leavers' Show	
Art	Photo Fits – The Human Form Tudor Portraits		Mayan Art – Weaving / Ceramics / Sculpture / Frescoes		Architects and Designers Engineering Leaders' Award	
DT	Food Technology – Tudor Banquets Textiles and Fashion		Maya cities and buildings Building structures – creating a Maya city		Electrical Circuits - Games Enterprise - Fiver Challenge	
RE	What do religions say to us when life gets hard? What matters most to Christians and Humanists?		What difference does it make to believe in ahimsa grace and Ummah community?		Is it better to express your religion in arts and architecture or in charity and generosity?	
PE	Tudor Dance Gymnastics	Team Games – Football / Tag Rugby / Netball <u>Bikeability</u>	Outdoor and Adventurous Activities Forest School	Team Games – Football / Tag Rugby / Netball	Golf Athletics Cricket	Athletics <u>Rounders</u>
PSHE	Being Me In My World	Celebrating Differences	Dreams and Goals	Healthy Me	Relationships	Changing Me Transition
French	Little Red Riding Hood	Happy Birthday, <u>Aurèle</u> !	A Village in France	Magic School	Let The Celebrations Begin!	Happy Eating!

PE

- PE will be on a Friday with SuperStars.
- There are lots of sporting opportunities in Year 6.
- Leave PE kit (white t-shirt, black shorts / jogging bottoms and trainers) in school all the time.

Homework

- Homework is given out on a Thursday to be returned by the following Monday.
- In January, Year 6 will begin to receive homework twice a week (Monday and Thursday). This will help them to prepare for SATs and the transition to secondary school.
- It is important that children ensure the same effort is given to Homework just like work in class.
- Children not handing in Homework will complete it during the school day (in their own time). This is good practice for Secondary school. Remember there is Homework Club with Miss Kershaw on a Thursday afternoon.
- Homework is usually alternated between English and Maths each week and will be linked to our current learning.
- Children should also be encouraged to read and practise spellings and times tables each evening.

Homework

- Your child has a log-in for Education City and Times Tables Rock Stars.
- It is important that children try to have a go at these activities as often as possible to practise their basic skills – a perfect alternative to Play Stations 😊
- Everyone also has a log-in for Showbie which can be used to complete and submit Homework. A perfect way to avoid the need for memory sticks.

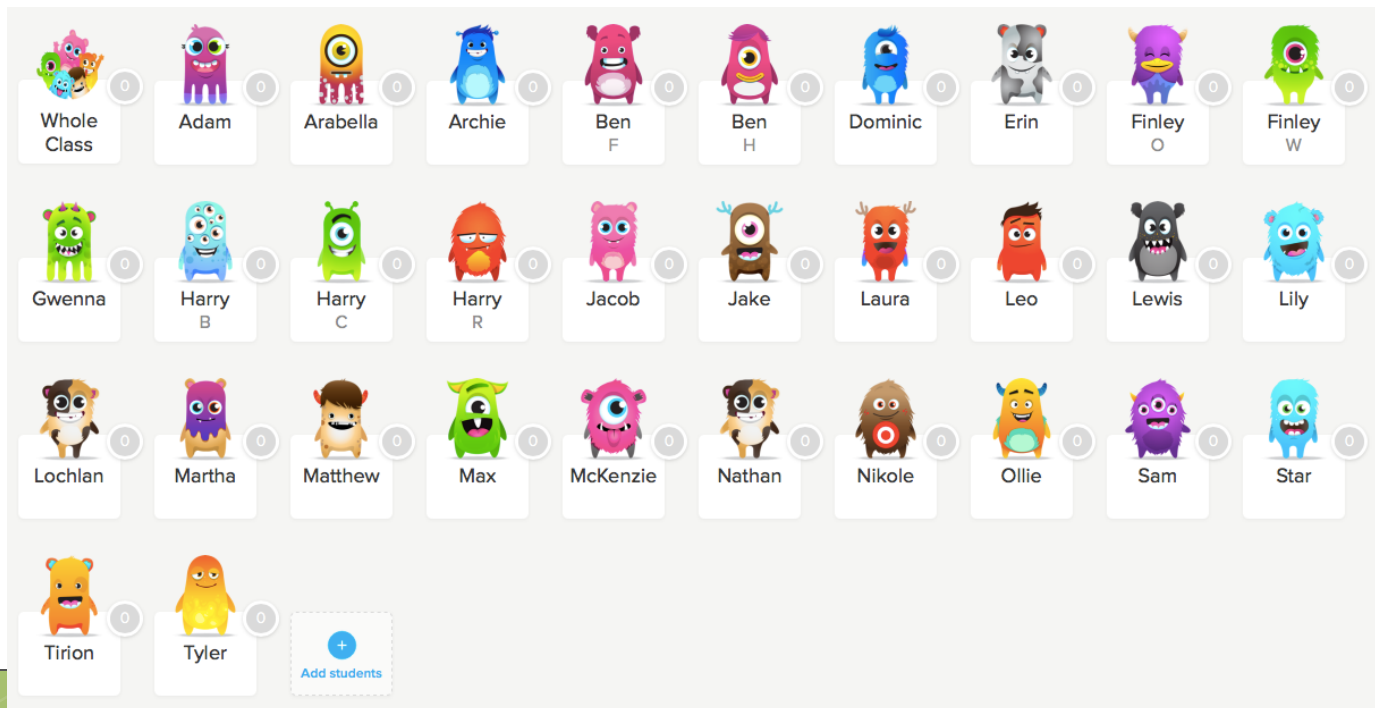
Talk Homework

- Talk Homework will help your child prepare for their Big Write each week.

By spending a few minutes discussing the topic, children feel more confident in tackling their written task, armed with a range of ideas to get started the following day. Your support in this will be greatly appreciated.

Dojos

- Children can earn Dojos for good learning behaviours, good manners, as well as tasks completed at home.
- Prizes can be earned once 20, 50 or 100 Dojo points have been achieved.



Home-School Communication Book

- In order to receive Dojos, children should be encouraged to record their learning at home in their blue book.
- In Year 6, children can do this independently (remember to include the date). We just ask for parents / carers to initial each evening.

Home-School Books

This book is designed to improve communication between home and school. Messages can be recorded in the book and passed to the Class Teacher. If you have recorded an urgent message, please remind your child to hand in the book to either Mrs Hanham or our Teaching Assistant at the start of the day.

The **main purpose** of this book is for your child to record any learning that they complete at home, including:

- **reading**
- **times table practise**
- **spelling practise**
- Education City
- Times Tables Rock Stars

As children move through KS2, they should be encouraged to become more and more independent at filling it in, **recording the work completed and the date**. All we ask you to do is **sign it or place your initials each time** to show that the work has been completed.

Children will be encouraged to share this book with their teacher **every day** and Dojos will be awarded for any work completed!

It is really important that children bring this book and their reading book to school **every day** of the week. This will ensure that children get the opportunity to read to the adults in the class as often as possible.

All log-ins for subscription websites can be found on the next page or in the cover of your child's Homework Book.

Thank you for your support,
Mrs Hanham

Read, Steady, Read...

- How many books can you read?
- Remember to complete a Book review
- Half-termly draw
- Grand Draw – July 2020
- More book lists if needed
- Book Swap Shop

Ready, Steady, Read in Year 6:



Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo

Holes by Louis Sachar

Skellig by David Almond

Tom's Midnight Garden by Philippa Pearce

A Whisper of Horses by Zillah Bethall

When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit by Judith Kerr

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

EREN by Simon Clark

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

The Fastest Boy in the World By Elizabeth Laird

Year 6 Responsibilities

- ◉ School Council
- ◉ Eco-Council
- ◉ Apple Ambassadors
- ◉ Sports Crew
- ◉ E-Safety Leaders
- ◉ Science Ambassadors
- ◉ Road Safety Officers
- ◉ Buddies

‘Jumper Dumper’

- Year 6 now have their own ‘Jumper Dumper’ box where all lost property will be placed.
- Please ensure that all items of clothing / shoes are clearly labelled with your child’s name!

Growth Mindset

- At Walford Primary School, we work hard to develop a growth mindset. Modifying our language in small ways can have a positive effect on how we think and what we subsequently achieve. The following language changes, in school and at home, would be a great starting point...

- *That's brilliant, becomes:*

That's interesting, what made you think in that way?

- *You're a genius, becomes:*

Tell me about it - how did you decide what to do?

- *Don't worry, I couldn't do it either, becomes:*

I'm sure if we look at it together, we can work out a solution.

- *That's too hard, becomes:*

Challenges are good because you know your brain is having to work hard.

- *Ask your mother / father because I was never any good at that, becomes:*

If you keep trying, I think you'll be able to do it.

- *I can't, becomes:*

I can't yet.

Learning Behaviours

- At Walford, we celebrate pupils who demonstrate a thirst for knowledge, understanding and a love of learning when being taught with all of their peers, whilst working on their own or in small groups. Positive learning behaviours impact significantly on the progress of every child within lessons. Pupils' attitudes to learning should therefore be of an equally high standard across all subjects.
- The following statements have been identified by the School Council and they created the Walford Learning Behaviour tree to reflect the 'learning behaviours' we should all work hard to develop.

Work hard

Achieve and improve

Learn from others

Focus

Open-mindedness

Resilience

Dream (aspirations—short and long-term)



Year 6 SATs

- Tests will take place during the week commencing 11th May 2020.
- Children will sit tests in English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, English Reading and Mathematics.
- Writing and Science are Teacher Assessed.
- There will be a meeting for parents/carers in January.

London Residential



- If you haven't signed up, there is still time...

We have been busy organising the Year 5 and Year 6 residential for May 2020. We are very excited to take the children on a London experience for 5 days and 4 nights (Monday 18th May – Friday 22nd May 2020).

This is a fantastic opportunity for all of the children! Many of the activities planned are not available to the general public and the action-packed residential will cost no more than £320 (depending on actual numbers). The cost covers accommodation, food, entry fees, evening entertainment and our own coach for the week.

The trip will include a visit to the Science Museum, Natural History Museum, Houses of Parliament, Covent Garden, Buckingham Palace, The Royal Mews, London Eye, Tower of London, HMS Belfast, a river Thames boat trip and tickets for a West End show. As we have to book the accommodation and activities before the new academic year, we will require a deposit of £40.00 to confirm your child's place by **Friday, 28th June**. We will issue a payment plan on receipt of deposit to help manage the costs.

Other Events

- Five Acres Gym – Autumn 1
- Year 6 Leavers' Bash – July 2020
- Year 6 Leavers' Shows – July 2020

Parent / Carer Learning Walks

- Thursday, 24th October:

iPads in Action at 9.00am

- Tuesday, 11th February:

E-Safety – Safer Internet Day at 9.00am

- Thursday, 13th February:

**Creative Reading and Writing using iPads
9.00am**

- Thursday, 26th March:

Science in Action at 9.00am

- Thursday, 4th June:

Computing Festival of learning at 2.00pm

Key Dates

- Friday, 11th October:
KS2 Harvest Market at 2.45pm
- Monday, 16th December:
KS2 Carol Service at 2.00pm and 6.00pm
- Friday, 14th February:
Y5/Y6 Class Assembly at 2.15pm
- Tuesday, 23rd June:
Sports Day at 1.15pm
- Friday, 10th July:
Leavers' Bash at 6.00pm
- Tuesday, 14th July and Wednesday, 15th July:
Leavers' Show at 6.00pm



Any questions?