

Welcome to Year 6





Important Year

- Last year at primary school
- Transition year – preparation for secondary school
- A time to “grow” and blossom!

Children's dress code

- Children are expected to arrive at school each day smartly and appropriately dressed in school uniform with shirts tucked in at all times. Shorts may be worn during break times. Short skirts are not accepted.
- Children come to school on PE/Games days dressed in their PE kits. Kit is yellow or blue Oaklands t-shirt and navy shorts. Generally children are bare foot for PE in the hall but have trainers for outdoor games lessons and for walking to and from the hall. Tracksuits may be worn outside for games in cold weather.
- If children have pierced ears only small studs should be worn, but these must be removed or covered for PE lessons. No other jewellery except watches may be worn but these must be removed for PE. Also, long hair must be tied back for safety reasons. This applies to both boys and girls.

Who do I speak to?

- Please see your child's class teacher as a first port of call.
- If the problem is not resolved please see Miss Noad, senior staff.
- If it needs to go further then it should be taken to Mr Holland the deputy head
- Mrs West, the head teacher is the final point of contact.



Responsibilities

- ✓ Sports and house captains for house points and sports day. Also for running the Inclusive sports day and other events.
- ✓ Door duties
- ✓ Monitor classes at wet lunchtimes and in assembly
- ✓ ICT during assembly
- ✓ Poppies and raffle ticket sales etc.
- ✓ Dinner hall monitors for beginning of new year with Year 3.
- ✓ Playground games
- ✓ Additional responsibilities

Personal Responsibilities

- Year 6 may bring in pencils and pencil cases.
- Year 6 may bring in phones but they must be switched off and not used on school property.
- We do not allow smart watches in school that can connect to the internet or take pictures.
- To make sure homework is completed to a good standard and given in on time.
- Need an Oaklands P.E. kit. PE is on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Art overall (if desired).
- Clothing to be named please 😊.



Maths

Times Table practice tests will be on Tuesdays.
Maths Facts will be completed half termly.

We begin with place value and calculations (4 operations).
We then move on to fractions later in the Autumn term.

English

English topics will often be focused around a book or text.
We start with The Watertower picture book.

Homework

- 35 minutes of Doodle Maths and English throughout the week
- 20 minutes of Doodle Times Tables throughout the week
- Spelling activity from grid handed out each Thursday, due in the following Tuesday.
- Regular reading (5x per week minimum expectation)

Reading - remains a priority and pleasure!

Children to read aloud to parents once a week.

Parents should check children's homework diaries and then sign them to say work has been done to the best of your child's ability.

Some of the topics planned for this year include:

- Geography
- Osmington Bay map work
- The effects of Climate Change
- Mountains
- History
- The Shang Dynasty
- WWII
- Science
- Electricity (fairground rides)
- Animals and their habitats
- Light
- PSHE
- Summer term – SRE - conception, growth of the baby in the womb

Government testing

Only one aspect of year 6 work

- Try not to pressurise.
- We will prepare children but up to you if you want to do extra.
- Nearer the time, we will do an order of revision guides.
- We will send tests home for children to find 5 more marks.



Secondary Schools

- Up to you to decide and apply.
- Open days/evenings soon.
- Please let us know if you are taking your child out.
- Selective schools have different entry criteria.



Any questions?

Osmington Bay

- Come to school at usual time on Monday 18th September morning.
- Depart late morning.
- Stop at Avon Heath country park for lunch.
- Arrive at Osmington around 15:00.
- Settle in tour of site, unpack, dinner and evening activity.
- Depart for home as scheduled at 2.15 on Friday 22nd September. Arrive at approximately 5pm. We will be in touch with changes!



Any questions?