

## As a writer we will be...

Studying 'The Day The Crayons Quit' and then 'A Christmas Carol'  
Writing letters of complaint in role.  
Understanding how to write persuasively.  
Writing setting and character descriptions as preparation for writing a longer narrative.  
Writing poetry inspired by the Industrial Revolution

## As a mathematician we will be...

Securing knowledge of number, including place value, and ensuring we can use written methods for all four operations (add, subtract, multiply and divide). Then we will focus on fractions and decimals.

## As an artist we will be...

Studying the artist Lowry and creating our own paintings inspired by his style.

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## As a scientist we will be...

Learning about electricity, including circuits and components.  
Working scientifically and learning about scientific discoveries in the 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> century.

## As a computer user we will be...

Using technology to create digital art.  
Researching and presenting work using computers.

## As a musician ...

As musicians we will develop our rhythm skills including reading and using standard notation and learning about simple and compound time signatures.  
We will play and compose music based on machines linked to our topic, 'The Industrial Revolution'.

## As a historian we will be....

Studying the changes in Britain over time.  
Learning about the Victorians and the Industrial Revolution.  
Ordering events in history and summarising how Britain has been influenced by other countries and cultures

## As a sports person we will be...

Learning tag rugby and football skills, building up to a game.

## Information for Year 6 Parents

Hi there and welcome to the task of being the parent of a year 6 child - it really isn't that different to what has gone before! We have put together some information that will hopefully answer any questions you have about how year 6 works.

The teaching team in year 6 for 2020-2021 is:

Class 13: Miss A Elliott

Class 14: Mr Streeter

LSAs: Mr Sanderson and Mrs Barker

The way our timetable is set up in year 6 it is likely that your child will be working with all of these adults at some point during the year. In addition, we are lucky enough to also have Mrs Smith joining us as an extra teacher each Wednesday.

**Games:** All PE and Games lessons will be happening outside this term (weather permitting). These happen on Mondays and Tuesdays so the children should come to school in appropriate PE kit on those days.

**Homework:** All homework this half term will be accessed online using platforms such as Mathletics and Times Tables Rockstars. If this will be an issue for you, please let us know as soon as possible. Homework will be set weekly, usually on a Thursday, and will need to be completed by the following Tuesday. In addition to this, we will also be setting longer project homework as in previous years. The difference this year is that, instead of bringing the completed work into school, we would ask that you take a photo of it at home and email this to your child's class teacher.

**Reading:** Regular reading is even more important for year 6 and we would encourage them to be reading at least five times a week, if not more. We do understand that they may not want to read with you or to you but it would be great if you could ask them a bit about what they are reading from time to time. We have reading books from the school library that we are keeping in school which we read in school on a daily basis. Once the children have finished their book, they take an online quiz before choosing a new one. We have also offered them the chance to take a book home from our year 6 selection - some children have done this and others have chosen to read the books they already have at home which isn't a problem. All children are expected to fill in their reading records every time they read and we would ask you to sign them. These will be checked each day.

**Times Tables:** By the end of year 4, children are expected to be fluent in their knowledge of times tables, including the related division facts. The entire year 6 maths curriculum assumes that this knowledge is already secure. As we use Times Tables Rockstars in school, this is a great place to start and really helps with this practise but there are lots of other ideas online. If you would like any help with this, just let us know.

**Spellings:** Children will have a weekly spelling lesson on a Monday morning and will then spend the rest of the week learning these in school. They will not be bringing spellings home to learn, however, if you would like to help your child in this area, there is a statutory list of Year 5/6 words that they have to know how to spell. Any practise they could do at home on these would be great - be warned as they are pretty tricky!

If you have any other questions about anything to do with life in year 6, please do email us and we will get in contact with you as quickly as possible. All of us here agree that year 6 is the BEST year in primary school and. Although we have to work hard, we also manage to have a great time too!!

Thank you for your support,

Miss Elliott and Mr Streeter