

# Welcome to Year 6!

Welcome to Year 6! We have a wonderful team to help and support the children on their learning journey. They are:

Miss Rotherham (Tolkien class teacher)  
Miss Toye (Horowitz class teacher)  
Mrs Wilkinson (Tolkien teaching assistant)  
Mrs Sturgess (Tolkien teaching assistant)  
Mrs Burbidge (Horowitz teaching assistant)  
Mrs Tropman (Horowitz teaching assistant)  
Mr Rose (Horowitz teaching assistant)

As they prepare for SATs, secondary school and beyond, children in year 6 begin to become more responsible for their learning. They will be taught the tools they need to be independent learners who want to challenge themselves and support others. Later in the year, we will vote for house captains from year 6 and there will also be an opportunity to apply to be a sports leader.

## Reading

In year 6, we will encourage the children to always have a book on the go. They will begin to find the genres that really interest them and will be able to make recommendations to other children.

Once a week, children will spend time in the library and can choose a library book.

Throughout the year, children may bring home a 'core reader' or even a 'challenge core reader'. These are books that are enjoyable and challenging stories that we would like all children to read or share at home.

## Curriculum

This term our topic is the 1960s! We will learn about the fashion, music and events that changed the world from the swinging sixties. We will learn about famous figures such as Martin Luther King Jr, Twiggy and The Beatles.

In science, our topic is Evolution and Human Inheritance. We will learn about which traits we inherit or acquire, how animals adapt to their environment and how Charles Darwin explained evolution.

Our PE days are Monday and Friday. Everyday children will need to bring a named water bottle.

## Spellings & Homework

Every Tuesday, your child will bring home new spellings to learn. You can also login to Spelling Shed for some fun practice games. Spellings will be tested on the following Tuesday

We also would like the children to play Timestable Rockstars once or twice a week at home. We can send passwords home if needed.

Homework will begin later in the term—details to follow.