



Welcome to Year 6

Although we end the week on some very sad news, it has been lovely coming back to school and working with your children. They have returned with a fantastic attitude and have already impressed myself, Mrs Pallister and Mrs White.

We also welcomed Rosie and her family to WWB and Year 6. She has settled in really well and the rest of the children have made her feel really welcome.

I thought I would take this opportunity to inform you of what will happen this term and throughout Year 6.

Our learning this term includes:

English- We will be focussing on the story 'Running Wild' by Michael Morpurgo. This links to our survival theme for our topic. We will look closely at the events in the story and build towards writing our own narrative linked to it.

Maths- Our main areas of focus this half term are Place Value, Addition and subtraction, multiplication and division. We also complete Daily Maths. This is an arithmetic activity which is an opportunity for the children rehearse skills on a daily basis which will help them throughout the year.

Science- We are investigating evolution and inheritance. We will be researching Charles Darwin and looking at how things have changed over time.

Geography- We will be looking at different climates around the world and what would be needed to survive there. We will be identifying the continents, oceans and regions around the world.

These all link to our topic, survival.

PE will be on Wednesday and Thursday each week.

On a **Tuesday**, we will be having whole class music and the children will soon be bringing home a brass instrument. It will be important for the children to practise these at home.

Homework- will be given each week on a Friday. There is more information about this in the parent handbook that was sent out at the beginning of term.

Reading books- the children will continue choose books around the suggested level on the AR scheme. The children are choosing books themselves and we continue to monitor their results on the quizzes. Remember that these quizzes show children's ability in understanding the text they have read.

Spellings will be sent out weekly on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday. These will follow the statutory words for Year 6.

Please remember to encourage your child to continue practising times tables using TTRS on a regular basis.

Try to follow the school on Facebook and Twitter, there have already been pictures of Year 6 this week.

The children have been informed about the upcoming elections for House colour captain. This is usually a prestigious honour at WWB and something the children look forward to when coming into Year 6. They all have the opportunity to put their persuasive hats on and campaign to be leader. They will deliver speeches to their colour teams on Tuesday 20th September. They are encouraged to tell the children why they should vote for them?

Have a chat with your child and see if it is something they would like to do!

Many thanks – It has been a very enjoyable week!

Mr Stell and Mrs Pallister

Dates for your diary:

Author Dan Worsley working in school – 13th September

Sponsored Walk- 21st September

Trip to Outdoor Elements- 19th October