



Carpenters
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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School Values

Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth

Year 6 Newsletter - Autumn 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your child's phase leader and to welcome you back to a new academic year at Carpenters. I hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer break.

This year we will continue to information with you through a year group newsletter each half term. This will keep you up to date on the curriculum, key dates and events in Year 6.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact a member of your child's year group team or myself as the phase leader. I am very excited about the year ahead and look forward to sharing your child's achievements with you.

Nichola Curran
Assistant Head Teacher

Introducing Your Year 6 Team!

Phase Leader: Miss Curran

Class Teachers: Miss Hobbs and Mr Brown

HLTA: Dawn Chester

Support Staff: Miss Escott, Miss Allen, Miss Davies and Mrs Impey

Autumn 1 Topic

This term your child's topic will be '**A Bugs Life**'.

For more information on what your child will be learning please see the attached topic web.

The topic journey has been planned to engage and excite your child in their learning. It will also deepen and challenge their knowledge and understanding through a creative and cross-curricular approach.

We look forward to sharing some of what your child has learnt this half term with you.

Dates for your diary

18 th Sep	Year 6 swimming for 2 weeks
19 th Sep	'Maths with Parents' information session - 3.30pm
20 th Sep	Yr 6 Parent Meeting - Secondary School & Fairplay
22 nd Sep	Jeans for Genes Day
22 nd Sep	Year 5 and 6 More Able Writers visit
4 th Oct	Bag 2 School Collection
6 th Oct	Harvest Assembly - 11am - Year 4 - All Welcome
13 th Oct	Diwali Assembly - 11am - Year 3 - All Welcome
w/c16 th Oct	Black History Week
17 th Oct	Individual Photos - all children
19 th Oct	Diwali - School open as usual
20 th Oct	Black History Assembly - 11am - Year 2 - All Welcome
23 rd Oct	SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM

Attendance

Whole School Attendance Target - 96.4%

We will be working hard to achieve our yearly target. Please ensure your child attends school every day and on time.

- ✗ Children must be lined up outside their classroom door before 8:55. They will walk into class at 8:55 and be marked in late from 9:00.
- ✗ Children finish school at 15:15 and will be dismissed from their classroom door. They will be handed over to an adult that is named on the safer collection form that provides the correct password. Year 6 children will be allowed to go home on their own if the permission form has been signed and returned to school.
- ✗ If booking a dentist or GP appointment, please bring your child in so that they can be registered first. Aim to book appointments between 9:30 and 12:30, or after 13:30.
- ✗ NO term time holidays - You may be at risk of penalty charge. Our school policy is that we do not authorise any leave during term time.

Medical

- ✗ If your child is asthmatic or has a care plan in place please ensure that their medication is in school.
- ✗ If your child requires medication to be administered during school time you **MUST** come to office to complete a care plan.
- ✗ If your child has broken or fractured bones please inform the school office before they return to school so we can arrange to complete a care plan and risk assessment.

Swimming

- ✗ Year 6 will be attending swimming for 2 weeks from the 18th September. Swimming is an important life skill. These lessons provide the children with a fantastic opportunity to become strong and confident swimmers.
- ✗ Swimming **MUST** be attended. It is not optional and is part of the curriculum.
- ✗ Swimming is now taking place from 2pm-3pm. Children will not arrive back at school until 3:30pm. If you would like your child to walk home on their own please ensure you indicate this on the letter sent home to you on Tuesday 5th September.
- ✗ A doctor's note **MUST** be provided for any child who does not attend the lessons.
- ✗ If the child is absent from school and a doctor's note is not provided then the absence will be recorded as unauthorised and you will be invited to a meeting to discuss this further.
- ✗ Please ensure you start to purchase the correct swimming kit ready for the lessons.
- ✗ If your child arrives at school without a kit, the school has spare kits which will be provided so that they can attend.

General Reminders

- ✗ Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform (including the correct footwear) every day. We will be completing regular year group checks.
- ✗ Your child should bring their reading diary to school every day. This should be signed by an adult each day and a comment made by your child.
- ✗ PE kits should remain in school for the whole half term and should not be taken home. ALL children **MUST** take part in PE sessions. If your child is unable to take part due to a medical reason a doctor's note must be provided.
- ✗ Your child will receive weekly homework. Please support your child to complete this each week. If you need support with your child's homework please tell an adult before the deadline. Please ensure your child's homework is presented to a high standard.
- ✗ After school clubs will be starting on the 25th September. The leaflet will be sent out on Monday 18th September. Clubs are allocated on a first come, first serve basis. Late applications will be added to the waiting list.