

# Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Finally, the final chapter of Year Six is upon us – where did the time go? Hope you have all had a relaxing Easter holiday and spent quality time with your families. It appears as though the children have had an opportunity to recharge their batteries and judging by their determination, motivation and endeavour shown within the first few days back, the children are in a great place to demonstrate their ever-growing knowledge during the upcoming SATs tests. We are extremely proud of their increasing maturity – long may it continue.

# **English**

During this term, your child will be reading several more stories, enabling them to enjoy a range of genres. Children will focus on broadening their range of vocabulary to ease the transition to secondary school. Below are some of the texts and themes we will be exploring through our English lessons:







- A Midsummer Night's Dream (Shakespeare)
- Donald Trump Has he made America great again?
- The Lion King (Disney)

Please remember that your child must read every night for at least 15 minutes. To make the most of this time, time should also be spent discussing the text they have read. Please record your child's reading within their Reading Record as this is checked periodically.

### Maths

The children are currently revising and practising their arithmetic and reasoning skills for the SATs. Thereafter, we will be covering various KS2/3 topics to ease their transition to secondary school.

In addition, it has been especially pleasing to see that usage of Mathletics is still on the increase – well done!

### Production

Staff members of the Year 6 team remember their school productions fondly, and this is an experience we wish for your children – to be part of something special that they will remember for the rest of time. The audition process begins soon after SATs – details to follow.

To further inspire the children, we will be visiting the Lyceum Theatre to watch The Lion King – amazing!

# Topic

Having really enjoyed the topics of World War II and Ancient Egypt, the children will now be studying a topic a lot closer to home: Shakespeare.

The children have started exploring A Midsummer Night's Dream through drama, written tasks and discussion. They will also be focusing plenty on the life of William Shakespeare: the plays he wrote; his hometown and the impact his plays have had, globally.

## Dates for Diary

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week commences Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week ends Friday 17th May – Circus comes to Carrington Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May – Y6 residential meeting (6pm) Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – End of term (3.15pm)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – INSET day
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – School resumes
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Class photographs
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 residential commences
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Y6 children return
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June – The Lion King trip
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Cherrylicious Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Secondary transition (1)
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Secondary transition (2)
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (1.30pm)
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Summer Fayre (12pm)
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day (reserve date)
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 production (dress rehearsal)
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 production (10am)
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 production (1.30pm)
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 production (5pm)
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 production (6.30pm)

Y6 picnic (following production)

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers' assembly (9.30am)

School's out for Summer (1pm)

## Successes

Last term, Year 6 performed two brilliant class assemblies:

First, 6C presented a magnificent assembly bringing awareness to Red Nose Day, highlighting the good it does for people all over the world. The filmed comedy sketches raised many a laugh, as well as £72.81 – many thanks for your generosity.

6S performed admirably, sharing what they had learnt about World War II. Everybody loved the charismatic and heart-warming reconstructions of London children leaving their families for safer surroundings in the countryside.

#### Summer Sun

The weather cannot seem to make its mind up at the moment, but when the summer sun finally arrives, please ensure that your child brings a hat and a water bottle to school everyday. In addition, make sure sunscreen has been applied prior to their arrival to school. If your child suffers with hay fever, please administer the appropriate medication before school.

With the sun comes great responsibility!

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your love and support during the academic year. No doubt you are all proud of how much our young people have grown – we certainly are.

We very much look forward to what the rest of the year has to offer: the residential, the theatre trip, the disco, the leavers' assembly, the circus, the summer fayre, the end-of-year production et al.

Yours sincerely,

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