



Colley Lane Primary Academy

Year 6 Newsletter

“Never Settle for Less than Your Best”



Autumn 2 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

Firstly, the Year 6 team would like to again thank you for your continued support during these unprecedented times. We know that the situation with Covid-19 has changed many things; however, we cannot be more grateful for the support we have received, ensuring that all year 6 pupils are kept safe and well when at school.

Christmas

Unfortunately, due to the current situation regarding COVID-19, our usual Christmas celebrations such as the Carol Concert will be unable to go ahead. However, we will ensure that the children have a very enjoyable Christmas in school; including many Christmas activities and a class Christmas celebration will be going ahead. More details on this will be provided closer to the end of half term.

Additional reminders

- At playtime, the children can bring in their own healthy tuck, such as fruit or a cereal bar (please note chocolate bars and crisps are not allowed).
- PE will take place on Tuesday and Thursday for 6DO, Tuesday and Thursday for 6H and Thursday and Friday for 6S. Please be aware that due to the nature of the Year 6 timetable, these slots may be subject to change. Earrings are not to be worn for PE in accordance with the schools Health and Safety Policy. If your child does wear earrings, please ensure your child can remove them or please take these out before school. Also, if your child needs an inhaler, can you please ensure that they have an in-date inhaler in school. We encourage children to take responsibility for this themselves, for example bringing it out to lessons. However, we will remind them to do this.
- A reminder that children should comply with school uniform policy, including appropriate footwear and coats for outdoor play. Patterned hairstyles such as braids are not acceptable in school. No inappropriate earrings to be worn please – one pair of small studs only.

Homework:

The children will continue to be given **Maths, spelling and reading homework**. Homework will be given on Fridays and should be returned by the following Friday. We will support the children with this as they settle in, but it is your child's responsibility to collect their homework and ask for replacements if it gets lost or they were absent when it was handed out. This will help them to prepare for secondary school.

Please continue to hear your child read each night for ten minutes. In year 6, the focus is on developing the children's comprehension skills ready for SATs. Hearing your child read for ten minutes or so each night, and asking them questions about the book is a great way to help with this.

Please ensure you sign your child's Reading Record to say that your child has read their book at home and has shown a real understanding of the book, please write in any comments you have. We will be reminding them but it will be your child's responsibility to remember to put their Reading Records in the tray. Please support your son/daughter with this reading incentive. We will listen to and work with every child during Reading sessions. We will be working hard to develop the children's reading skills within these Reading sessions and we appreciate your support with this at home.

If you or your child has any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or any of the Year 6 team.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to the coming year.

Miss Holt and the year 6 team.

