

Class MY Newsletter 2026-27 Autumn 1



A huge, huge welcome back to everyone! Hopefully everyone has had a fabulous summer and is raring to go! Moving into Y6 may well bring mixed emotions (from pupils and parents). There is the excitement that comes with being the oldest in school and the opportunities this brings mixed with the rollercoaster of emotions that are linked to the final year of primary. Rest assured that this is completely normal and you have an experienced team of people ready to help.

From Monday to Wednesday, MY is taught by Mrs Heron with Mrs Lawson taking over the reins on Thursday and Friday. We work closely to ensure that the continuity is there just as if children had been taught by the same adult all week. However, it also provides a fantastic opportunity for children to work with a wider range of adults to prepare them for secondary school. Mrs Robertson or Miss Hackney will also be supporting in class on a morning.

What will we be learning?

Please see the attached overview which outlines what we will be covering in each subject from week to week. Please note that this is a plan to show the sequence of learning but that things may alter week to week depending on what happens in school.

Key information:

- ❖ **P.E. kits:** A friendly reminder that our school PE kit is a red t-shirt and black shorts/ joggers. We will be outdoors as much as possible so appropriate coats/hoodies are always a good idea. We are asking children to come to school wearing their PE kit for lessons on TUESDAYS (swimming/rounders) and FRIDAYS (basketball/ forest schools). Swimming will start on Tuesday 8th September.
- ❖ **Reading** fluently is the one of the most important academic skills children should leave primary school with. We dedicate a fair part of our week to reading related activities including reading with an adult, independent reading, exploring reading comprehension and discussing famous authors/books. Your part at home is to ensure your child reads regularly **(at least two times a week)**. This will form part of their weekly homework and will be monitored.
- ❖ **Spellings** – we will have regular sessions in school where we explore how to spell words linked to a particular spelling rule. As part of these sessions, we will

practice using these words in sentences. Children will also be asked to learn some essential spellings. All of these words will be practiced regularly in school. At the end of each half-term, we will have a spellathon where we can see how well children have managed to learn these spellings.

- ❖ **Memory maths** will be taught regularly and involves revisiting areas of maths that were taught previously. It is designed to help transfer learning into the long-term memory. Homework tasks will also be linked to memory maths sessions.
- ❖ **Multiplication & division facts** – Research shows that being secure with these key facts supports being a successful mathematician. We still have a number of children with gaps that we are determined to close so we will be providing opportunities in school to improve fluency and confidence. Any help you can offer with this would be fantastic!
- ❖ **Homework** – Mrs Heron will be giving out her homework on a **Wednesday** to be completed by **Monday**. This half-term, homework will focus on a small number of maths questions linked to our Memory Maths for the week and reading at least twice a week. Children can ask for help in school before the hand in day. Any homework not completed will be done during Monday morning break as we will be marking it together after break. It can't be stressed enough that completing homework and handing it in on time is an important skill to master ahead of the move to Secondary School.
- ❖ **Responsibilities around school:** children in Y6 are given many opportunities to help around school and they have a very important job of being first-class role models as they are the oldest in school. We are looking forward to seeing who rises to this challenge.

A final word ...As always, if you've got any questions or concerns catch us at the end of the day or contact the school office and leave a message. The door is always open.

Mrs Heron and Mrs Lawson