

## Welcome to the Autumn Term in Year 6

### This term we will be learning all about:

#### English

This term we will be exploring a range of Ted Hughes poetry as well as creating a variety of writing based on our story The Eye of the Wolf. In addition to these we will be on a mission to Save Pompeii in our non-fiction unit.

#### Mathematics

Place value of numbers up to 10 million! Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division—using mental methods and formal written methods. We will also be doing lots of work on fractions, decimals and percentages. Exploring more complex 2D and 3D shapes and increasing our knowledge of position and direction.

#### Science

Our first topic this term is Our Bodies, which includes identifying and naming the major organs of the body, finding out about the human circulatory system, discussing what is needed to live a healthy lifestyle and understanding the effects of drink and drugs on our bodies.

Our second topic is Light and Sight which explores how we see and how light travels.

#### Computing

We Are App Planners—we will be researching the capabilities of a smartphone, looking at GPS and making a geotag

#### RE

Sikhs and Hindus—Who is inspiring? Looking at the founders of these two religions and how they have inspired others.

#### Cornerstones

'Hola Mexico' During this topic we will learn about all things Mexican including music, culture, ancient civilisations of The Aztecs and Mayans. In our geography sessions we will be using maps to identify significant Mexican landmarks and the human and physical geography of Mexico.

#### Music

We will be continuing to take part in Rock It lessons with Mr Bough .

#### PE

Topics this term include swimming and Invasion Games

#### MFL

Notre Ecole— we will be learning the French terms for here is / there is as well as different verbs. We will learn names of school subjects in French and introduce the terms il / elle.

## Important Information for Year 6

#### Finally Made It!

It really does only seem a very short time ago since the children were nervously (or not so nervously in some cases!) coming into school for the very first time in either Nursery or Reception—where has the time gone? I hope that they will thoroughly enjoy their last year here at Watling Street.

#### PE

P.E kits should remain in school all week. And will be sent home at half term for washing.

#### Reading Books

These reading books need to be brought into school daily. Please sign your child's reading diary when they have finished a book at home. It would also help your child if they could complete the comprehension questions on BugClub as they read through their books to improve their understanding.

#### Uniform

Please ensure that all personal belongings, especially jumpers and coats, continue to be named—we have already had a few brand new jumpers and cardigans left outside at breaktimes because of the warm weather and those with names in can easily be reunited with their owners.

### Homework

I Am Learning homework will be set up very soon. If anyone has trouble logging in then please come and see me. I will continue to also give out Maths and English worksheets weekly to those who requested them.

### Maths Focus

Ours Maths homework this term continues to be developing times tables quick recall skills and to be able to identify the related division facts in order to improve calculation skills. As a class, we are already very good at the times tables and are now working on becoming even quicker which will really help with the

### Spellings

Spellings will be given out each Monday and the spelling test will be on the following Monday. These will be related to a spelling pattern or rule that we have worked on. There will also be some additional spellings that are from the Key Stage 2 list of words from the New National Curriculum. These extra words are related to the writing that the children will be doing in class that week.

### Dates For Your Diary

Friday 16th September —Brownhills Enrichment Day 12.00- 3.00 at Brownhills School

Tuesday 20th September —Transition to Year 7 Meeting at 9.00

Friday 23rd September—Kingswood Meeting at 9.30

Wednesday 28th September—Friday 30th September—Kingswood

Friday 7th October—Special Friends Assembly (Year 6 and Reception) at 9.15

Friday 21st October—Pink Day, Break Up for Half Term

Tuesday 1st November—Individual photos

Friday 9th December—Christmas Jumper and Fun Day

Thursday 15th December—Carol Concert at 2.00

Friday 16th December—Non-Uniform Day , Break Up for Christmas Holidays

### Year 6 Highlights So Far

### Year 6 Staff

Class teacher—Miss J Conway

Classroom Assistants—Mrs K Clift and Mrs M Gibson

If you have any concerns at all then please do not hesitate to come and see me. I am always available at the end of the school day or an appointment can be booked through the school office.