

Year 6 Parent Information 2021-22

Introduction

Hello and welcome to Year 6. We have loved the first week with your children and we are all looking forward to a fabulous year with them. There is lots to look forward to in year 6 and we know your children will have a memorable final year at our school.

Eagles class are taught by Mr McNicholas and Mrs Maslin, they are supported by Mrs Muthiah.

Falcons class are taught by Mr Kinchlea and supported by Miss Fish.

Both classes are also taught by Mrs Franklin (PSHE & French), Mr Colbeck (PE) and Mrs Edwards (Music).

Topic

The topics for this term are 'Life in Britain during the 2nd World War'. This is a fascinating topic that we have found really engages the children. Lots of the children will have personal family stories about the time period which we would love to hear about. Sometimes children have family heirlooms which they are welcome to bring in.

P.E.

P.E. is on Monday and Thursdays. Please ensure your children come to school on these days dressed in suitable PE clothing (a red, black or white top (no football shirts), dark shorts/skirt/trousers and trainers). If your child has pierced ears, ideally we request they remove their earrings before coming to school that day or they can bring their own tape to place over their earrings. We also request that all long hair is tied back.

Reading

We believe (based on the latest research) that reading is the single most important part of your child's education. We are aiming for every child to have a book that they genuinely want to read. If they have a book from home they want to read, we would love for them to bring it in. Otherwise, they can choose a book from the selection in our classrooms.

We will read regularly at school, and we will teach children the skills that are required for reading predominately by studying our class book for the term 'Letters from the Lighthouse' by Emma Carroll. Some children have asked if they can bring their own copy of this book into school and read parts of it themselves at home. This is an excellent idea as it can aid their understanding of the story. The book is readily available on Amazon if you would like to purchase a copy for your child.

Children should also be reading regularly at home – ideally at least 5 times per week for 10 minutes or more. We would like this to be recorded in their reading records. Children should read at home in the following three ways:

1. Reading independently: by themselves in a quiet and comfortably setting.
2. Reading to an adult: even though they are now in year 6, it is still important that your child reads aloud regularly. This will help them to practise their expression and fluency and gives them a better grasp of how punctuation is used to help the reader (which in turn helps their

writing). It also allows you to check that the book they are reading is at a suitable level for them.

3. Being read to: listening to stories is a wonderful way for your child to build and develop comprehension and inference skills. You could try reading their book to them, sharing another (maybe slightly more advanced) story with them or using an audiobook service such as Audible.

Children don't need to do all three of these things every day, but it would be beneficial if they experience each one of them at least once every week.

Please let your child's class teacher know if you have any concerns or questions about reading and we will do our best to help where we can.

Homework

For the first two weeks, we would like you to focus on reading at home (as discussed above). After the children have settled, we will set regular homework. This will typically consist of general reading, a maths task, spelling practice and something related to topic. It will be set on Friday and will be due back in the following Thursday. There may be some flexibility to this as we see fit.

Online Learning

Class blog: <https://www.cringleford.norfolk.sch.uk/year-6-2/>

Times table rockstars: <https://trockstars.com/login> (ask your teacher if you have forgotten your login).

Class Teacher Appointments

Currently, the best way to contact us is via our class emails. Eagles@cringleford.norfolk.sch.uk
Falcons@cringleford.norfolk.sch.uk

Key Dates

SATs: Monday 9th May 2022 – Thursday 12th May 2022.

Hilltop trip: 4th- 6th July 2022– Letter to follow shortly

Please let us know if you have any questions

Best wishes

Mr Kinchlea, Mr McNicholas and Mrs Maslin