



Welcome to Year 6

St Joseph's RC Primary School

Class Teacher: Mrs Keogh



Welcome



Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome you back after the summer break. Year 6 is a very special year, not only in terms of it being your child's final year in primary school, where they will be learning valuable skills ready for high school, but also in the fact that the children will be taking their SATs (exams set by the government for all year 6 children in England) in Reading, Grammar, punctuation and spelling and Maths. Your continued support throughout the school year, I know, will really help your child and is much appreciated.

Reading



It is an expectation that your child reads at home every night for approximately 20 minutes, please would you sign their reading record as it will be checked every morning.

As your child is reading, stop at different points of the book to discuss vocabulary and ask questions about the characters and the story, as this really helps them make sense of what they are reading and develops their vocabulary, which subsequently improves their writing skills.

Homework



Homework will be sent home each Wednesday and it will consist of a piece of reading comprehension, spellings and 2 piece of maths.

This homework is due to be returned the following Monday, to their class teacher.

The children will have a weekly spelling test on a Monday morning and a weekly times tables test every Wednesday.

The children should be accessing Times Table Rock Stars at home each evening. They all have their own individual login.

Uniform



Children must be wearing their complete uniform which consists of:

- navy school jumper/cardigan,
- grey dress/ skirt/trousers,
- school tie,
- pale blue shirt (not polo shirt),
- black shoes (not trainers),
- grey socks/tights.
- navy blue headscarf (if required)
- all hair bobbles/bows should be in school uniform colours.

As shirts are to be worn tucked in at all times, please teach your child how to tuck them in. To encourage independence, please ensure that your child is able to fasten their shoes themselves.

On health and safety grounds, the only jewellery children are allowed to wear are stud earrings.

As much of our learning takes place outdoors, in all sorts of weathers, children will need a complete change of clothes (including underwear) and a named pair of wellington boots to stay in school.

P.E. & Water Sports



They are a few things that the children need to remember:

P.E. takes place every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons so they will need a full P.E kit, (a pair of navy shorts, a white t-shirt and a pair of pumps or trainers, labelled please, as this helps us return lost items to their owner,) which they should keep in school and take home at the end of each half term.

Also, in year 6 we are privileged, on a Thursday afternoon, to visit the water sports centre at Salford quays, for this they will require a swimming costume, towel and trainers.

Thankyou



Finally, may I thank you again for your support and remind you that your child's education is very important so their attendance at school is paramount, arriving on time helps sets your child up well for the day and encourages a positive attitude to their day ahead.

Please feel free to speak to me about any concerns you may have, and I look forward to meeting you at the parent's events.

Thank you.
Mrs Keogh