

St Herbert's RC Primary School

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Welcome to Class 6



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year, we hope you enjoyed your summer break! It has been absolutely wonderful to see you and your children back in and around school, we have missed you! Welcome to Class 6 and the start of a new school year. We are looking forward to working with you and your children to fulfil the individual potential of your child

This letter is designed to give you an overview of what to expect from Class 6 over the coming year but if you have any other questions which this letter does not answer please do not hesitate to ask.

Reading & Reading Books

Your child will receive a reading book each week to share with you at home and we would expect them to read for at least 10 minutes a night. We ask that your child brings their reading book into school with them every week on their allocated day so that we can monitor what they are reading, change their book and listen to them read, your child will be allocated a reading day in due course. Your child has also been provided with a reading log book. In KS2 we ask that the children write a comment in their log book each week (e.g. Are they enjoying the book? Who would they recommend the book to? What has happened in the chapters they have read so far?). Please also feel free to comment about your child's reading in this book as parents.

We encourage the children to read a range of material in addition to any of the books taken from school. It is vital that the children develop a true love of reading as they progress in Year 3/4 from learning to read to reading to learn.

Homework

This year, Homework books will be sent home and should <u>stay at home</u>. Homework tasks will be set every <u>Friday</u> via Google Classroom and must be completed and uploaded to Google Classroom by the following <u>Friday</u>. Tasks will be based on current learning in the classroom covering a range of subjects. Spellings will be sent home on Friday and tests will be held the following Friday morning.

Uniform & PE Kit

Please make sure your child's name is written on all items of PE kit, uniform and coats. During the first Autumn half term (until October holidays), Class 6 will have PE every <u>Tuesday and Thursday</u>. However please can we ask their PE kit to be in everyday in case we get the opportunity to do PE. Please note that children may wear black tracksuit bottoms or leggings and trainers for outdoor PE.

As always, we encourage the children to come to school looking smart, with shirts tucked in, top buttons fastened and black sensible shoes. Trainers and boots are not allowed. Nails should be free of nail varnish.

For health and safety reasons, we only allow small, stud earrings. Please note that children must not wear earrings for PE, so it is advised that they be removed before coming to school on these days. As per school policy, no chains, necklaces, bracelets, wrist bands or Smart watches are allowed. Sensible sized watches are permitted.

Snacks & Packed Lunches

As a healthy school we encourage the children to eat a wide range of healthy snacks and lunches. We ask that only fruit or vegetables are brought in for a playtime snack and water for drinks during the day (Not juice or flavoured water). For packed lunches, please do not bring chocolate, biscuits or fried crisps however, baked crisps are permitted.

We are asking that children do not bring anything with them into school other than their book bag and lunch box – please don't send lunches into school in big backpacks due to the room they take up.

Swimming (Year 3)

The children will be swimming every Thursday afternoon, starting on the Thursday 14th September. You should have received details and information prior to/with this letter. Please let the class teacher know if you have any questions.

Sacramental Programme (Year 3)

Information and details about this will follow shortly once conformation from the Church has been received.

Multiplication Check (Year 4)

All state-funded maintained schools and academies (including free schools) in England will be required to administer an online multiplication tables check (MTC) to year 4 pupils. The National Curriculum specifies that pupils should be taught to recall the multiplication tables up to and including 12×12 by the end of year 4. Please can you practice these at home with your child. You can also log in to Purple Mash to see the format of how the tables check will look.

X (formally Twitter) & Evernote

Examples of your children's work and updates about what they are doing will be posted on our class Twitter page. Please follow us at:

Class6@StHerberts

To further enhance the children's learning experience, if you have any photographs or video clips of any interesting or exciting activities completed at home or anywhere outside of school that you would like us to see, please post them on Google Classroom for your class and teachers to see.

We are really looking forward to working with you and your child over the coming year and believe that with your help and support, each child will be able to fully access their learning and achieve their full potential.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Mrs Whale and Mr Cleary