

AUTUMN 1 TERM

HAWTHORN

WELCOME TO YEAR 6

Hello and a huge welcome to Hawthorn Class from the Year 6 team. We hope you all had a great summer and are ready for the busy and exciting half term to come. We are all looking forward to getting to know the children and working with them this year.

MATHS



Continuing with our 'Maths no Problem' programme, Y6 Maths begins with Place Value within 10 000 000 before moving on to the fluency and practice with the four operations.



READING

Our first shared class book in Year 6 is 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

It is a fitting story alongside our Crime and Punishment topic following the story of Stanley Yelnats - who is accused and punished for 'stealing' a pair of trainers.

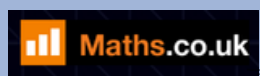


WRITING

We will be using another book from the well loved series from the Spiderwick Chronicles to kick off our Talk for Writing this half term. We will be using a chasing / hiding plot to revise our skills on building tension and creating atmosphere in our writing

Online Home Learning

Much of Year 6 homework will be done online using [spag.com](https://www.spag.com) and [maths.co.uk](https://www.maths.co.uk) as well as Spelling Shed. Please support your child to have access to a computer / ipad for their homework where possible.



SCIENCE

In Science we will be learning all about living things and their habitats, looking at the classification of animals, plants and bacteria.



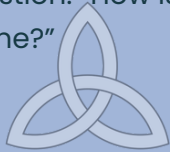
History

In History we will be looking at how crime and punishment has changed over the past 1000 years. We will look at stories about criminals and how fairly they were dealt with.



RE

In R.E. we begin with a unit on Christianity. We will explore the meaning of the Trinity by asking the big question: "How is God three, yet one?"



FRENCH

Our first topic, 'En ville,' will introduce us to 10 places around town and then how to use directions and prepositions to indicate the exact position of a place in relation to another in French.

PE



We start the year by learning some dance moves in our Monday PE session. Our PSD sessions will be focussing on fitness training.

DT

In DT this term we will be looking at structures. We will plan, design and build a prototype for a playground shelter.

PSHE

PSHE in Autumn 1 looks at the topic of Being me in my World where we focus on creating goals, share fears, as well as understand our rights and responsibilities as global citizens and what democracy and having a voice looks like.



ONLINE SAFETY

As your children grow older we know of the pressure on them (and you!) for them to be online using social media. We are aware that children in Year 6 are using social media to communicate, and we regularly see first-hand the damage that is happening when they use apps such as WhatsApp. Such apps are not equipped with the safety features that would make them appropriate for primary aged children. For your information I have included the age restrictions for many of the common apps that children access and use, against their terms and conditions of use.

Social Media Age Restrictions

Under 13 (with parental consent)	13 +	16+	18+	18 (13 with parental permission)
GoBubble PopJam GROW SOCIAL	Facebook Instagram Tumblr Twitter skype iTunes Pinterest MyLOL Wink Snapchat TikTok reddit ASKfm	WhatsApp Telegram	MeowChat Meet Me Tinder	flickr YouTube Spotify

For more information:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-sa>

HOMEWORK

Each week we set new spelling with a specific pattern for the children to practice at home and with further practice on spelling shed.

All other homework is currently set on a Friday online. Please support your child to complete their home learning tasks on Spag.com and Maths.co.uk to and to practise spellings and TTRS 3-4 times a week for 20 minutes.

Thank you.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Sep 3rd First day of term.
Sep 9th Meet the teacher.
Oct 5th Open classroom from 2:45.
Oct 6th Harvest festival.
Oct 13th Cycle training.
Oct 7th and 14th Parent consultations.
Oct 19th - 30th Half term.
Nov 2nd Back to school.

OUR VALUE THIS TERM IS:
RESPECT

