

YEAR 6 AUTUMN 1

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2023



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we love, grow and learn."

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are as excited to get back into school routine as we all are. The class seem to have had an action packed summer and are ready to get stuck into life in Year 6.

I have really enjoyed getting to know the children over the last week and I am finding lots of things out which will help us learn together throughout the year.

Year 6 are lucky to be supported in their learning this year by Mrs Wood in the mornings and some afternoons. Mr Lewandoski will be delivering PE lessons on Friday mornings. Mrs Robertshaw will teach the class on a Wednesday.

In English this half term, we will be studying the author, Louis Sachar and using a film clip about the Day of the Dead festival in Mexico. Through these texts, we will be working towards writing descriptions, diary entries, a non-chronological report and a persuasive leaflet. We will also be doing some biography writing through RE.

We will have a specific grammar focus each week where we will look at apostrophes, conjunctions, different tenses and determiners. We will also continue to practise the Year 5/6 spelling words, homophones and spelling rules.

In maths this half term, we will be looking at place value, number operations and fractions. In place value, we will be developing our conceptual understanding through comparing, ordering and rounding numbers and using this knowledge to reason. Every maths lesson will include fluency, reasoning and problem solving elements and there will be plenty of opportunity to apply what they have learnt in real life scenarios. Every Friday, the maths lesson will be focused on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please visit our website to see our [knowledge organisers](#).

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,
Mrs Polzin, Mrs Robertshaw and Mrs Wood



Important Days

Monday:

Reading books changed

Friday:

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

Spelling Test

Important Dates

Tuesday 12th September – 4pm

Year 6 curriculum parent meeting via Zoom

Monday 18th September – 3:30pm

Parents Peat Rigg Information Meeting

Thursday 21st September
Individual photos

Sunday 24th September – 11am

Family Mass in Church

Friday 29th September – 9:30am

Year 3 and Year 6 class mass in church

Friday 29th September – 2:30pm

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

WB Monday 2nd October
Whole school 'Ready Steady Read' sponsored read

Thursday 5th October
Rosary Day

Friday 6th October – 2:30pm
Harvest Festival

WC Monday 9th October
Peat Rigg Residential

Wednesday 18th October – 9:30am
Leeds United Primary Choices

Tuesday 24th October
Parents Evening 4pm – 6:30pm

Thursday 26th October
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Thursday 26th October
School closes for half term

