

## Hi,

Welcome back to school everyone! I hope you all had a good Summer.

This is a big year, Year 6. We have a great programme of events throughout the year to support your child through to the end of key stage 2 and prepare them for their next adventure in key stage 3!

#### In class

Mrs Green will work with us throughout the week as we split for maths and literacy groups (3 days of each). Mrs Green will also lead the class in the afternoon on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Miss Williams and Mr Smith will support us in class throughout the week. What a super team!

## **Curriculum**

Please see the planning documents on the Morden Primary website for information on our wider curriculum learning journey over the Autumn Term.

## Reading

Reading Journals **must** be handed in on the following mornings, with the expectation that your child has read with you for **20 minutes** at least **5 times** over the previous week:

Monday – Comet; Tuesday – Firecrown; Wednesday – Rufous; Thursday – Xantus; Friday - Zafiro

If I can share one message with you at the start of the school year, it is the importance of reading.

Benefits of reading for 20 minutes at least 5 times a week\*

- 1. Reading extends and improves vocabulary.
- 2. Reading makes all subjects easier to access (questions in maths, research in history, etc).
- 3. Reading inspires wild imaginations.
- 4. Reading encourages creativity and story-telling.
- 5. Reading helps to develop empathy.
- 6. Reading provides a deeper understanding of the world.
- 7. Reading supports focus and concentration.
- 8. Reading together creates a special bond and shared family interests.

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- 9. Reading supports cognitive development.
- 10. Reading can help social skills and interactions.

\*WHY IS READING IMPORTANT FOR CHILDREN? |
DEVELOPMENTAL EFFECTS
(HIGHSPEEDTRAINING.CO.UK)

## **Home Learning**

CGP Books continue to be used for home learning across years 2 - 6. Year 6 are working with the following books:

Year 6 Maths - 10-minute weekly workouts

Year 6 English - 10-minute weekly workouts

These will be sent home on a **Thursday** and must be returned to school the following **Tuesday**. Home Learning will be marked together in class.

Please do support your child in completing these home learning activities and making sure they are handed in on time.

**Spellings** will be posted on Google Classroom every Monday to learn for the week. There will be a **test** in class every **Friday**.

It is expected that children in Year 6 complete **30 minutes on TTRS each week**. This will be checked every Monday evening for the previous week.

There will also be a half-termly project linked to a wider curriculum subject – this term it's French! Please see attached document for more details.

### PE

PE will take place every **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Please make sure that **your child wears their PE kit to school** on these days.

## **Dates**

13.9.2023 - Y6 Meet The Teacher Session

21.9.2023 - Curriculum Evening

9.10.2023 - Science Expo Trip

12.10.2023 - Parents Evening

17.10.2023 - BookFest Trip

20.10.2023 - Wear it Red - Show Racism the Red Card

I am looking forward to a fantastic year of learning. Let's go Team Gold!

**Mrs Torreiro** 

