

Year 6

2022 -2023

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Year 6 Team



Mr Tweeddell



Miss Brooker



Miss Hodgson



Mrs Marlow



Mrs Payne



Mrs Whitehair



Mrs Keogh



Miss Paterson

Start and end of the day – Year 6

- The Greydells gate is unlocked at 8:40 am by a Year 6 adult
- Children enter via their external classroom doors and start a learning activity straight away
- Any urgent messages for teachers can be passed on via a Year 6 adult at the gate
- Children are encouraged to be increasingly independent please encourage your child to pass on messages to their class teacher if they feel able to
- The gate is locked at 8:50 am
- Children arriving after 8.50am are late!
- The Greydells gate will be unlocked at 3.15 pm
- Year 6 children are permitted to walk to meet an adult in arranged location. We do not keep yellow sheets for Year 6 children

Questions and Queries

- Please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. The end of the day is usually the best time to get their undivided attention.
- Office staff will be able to book appointments for you if needed.
- Remember, office staff have a wealth of information and can be contact via email or phone.
- The school website is always up to date. Letters, diary dates and contact details can all be found here.



Class Blogs

 Activities that have taken place in school can be found on the year group blog pages, accessed through the school website.



Year 4

THE BLOG FOR LIME, LARCH & LABURNUM, MR TWEEDDELL, MR HAMILTON & MISS TYRRELL

Read our blog posts



Year 5

THE BLOG FOR PINE, POPLAR & SPRUCE, MR HOLGATE, MRS JEFFRIES, MRS MARLOW & MRS SOUTHAM

Read our blog posts



Year 6

THE BLOG FOR WILLOW, WHITEBEAM & WALNUT, MISS FERGUSON, MS HILTON & MISS Hodgson

Read our blog posts

Safeguarding

- Please do not use mobile phones in the school/classroom / on trips
- Children should not bring phones to school. Children below the age of 13 should not have access to social networking sites
- Park buggies outside of the classroom
- We welcome scooters/bikes but please do not ride them on the school site



Break time arrangements

Break time
11.30 - 12.00

Lunchtime Arrangements

Year Group	Lunch break time	Playing time	Eating time
Year 6	1.30 – 2.15	1.45 – 2.15	1.30 – 1.45



Packed Lunch

A Healthy Packed lunch:

- Starchy foods like bread, rice, potatoes or pasta
- Protein foods like meat, fish, eggs or beans
- A dairy item, like cheese or yogurt
- Vegetables or salad and a portion of fruit

Foods not allowed in lunchboxes:

- Fizzy drinks
- Chocolate bars
- Sweets
- Nut products (including peanut butter)



THINK NUT!

We are a **NUT AWARE** school

- No nuts or products containing nuts on the ingredients list should be brought into school.
- **BE AWARE**: products which have the following labels are not banned, but can still cause anaphylactic shock in some individuals with severe allergies: •may contain nuts
 - may contain traces of nuts
 - manufactured in a facility where nuts have been processed
- **BE AWARE**: home-baked food has probably been made in a kitchen where nuts have been present.
- Do WASH YOUR HANDS before and after eating
- Do KEEP YOUR OWN FOOD TO YOURSELF no sharing!
- Do LEARN THE SIGNS of an allergic reaction:
- breathing difficulty, wheezing & coughing
- vomiting
- swelling of tongue, lips or throat
- unusual red rash
- feeling faint
- Do ASK if you are unsure if something is safe for you or your child

Outdoor areas

Top playground

MUGA

Quiet Area

Sports Day Field

Nature Trail



Accidents and Injuries

- If your child has an accident at school and they have needed medical attention, it will be recorded in an accident book
- Accidents of concern will be reported to you at the end of the day, either in person or via an accident letter
- The letter will give you very brief details of the nature of the injury and treatment
- If a child has a red letter it means they have bumped their head during the day.
 Where possible, the class teacher will hand this to the collecting adult and give you a bit more information about when the incident occurred and how your child has been since then
- Children will only be allowed to miss PE if they have a written letter from their parent/carer explaining the medical reason why.

Curriculum – Discrete Subjects

Guided reading	Comprehension	Spelling/handwriting/grammar	Extended writing
Maths	Mental maths/CLIC maths	Computing	Jigsaw – SRHE and Values
MFL	Science	RE	PE

Curriculum - Topics

	Year 6	
Autumn	 Coming to England (Geography); Light (Science) Disaster Strikes (Geography); Electricity (Science) 	
Spring	 Kingdoms and Cowries (History); Classification (Science) Heartbeat (Science) 	
Summer	 Groovy Greeks (History) Lights, Cameras, Action (Transition); Evolution and Inheritance (Science) 	
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Swimming

Year 6 children will have a weekly swimming lesson during the Autumn Term.

Clothing: a one piece swimming suit, swimming trunks or shorts (which must be above knee height to comply with the pool's policy), a hair band or swimming cap.

All children must bring their own towel, preferably a waterproof bag to carry their kit with them.

Children may bring goggles if they wish.

Earrings must be removed prior to swimming and NO deodorant sprays are permitted under any circumstances.





Homework

Every Friday your child will be set homework on Google Classroom.

This will include information on:

- The spelling patterns they have been investigating in class and words to learn
- Maths objectives from the week to discuss and 'Learn-it' facts to learn
- General information on what is going on in the week ahead

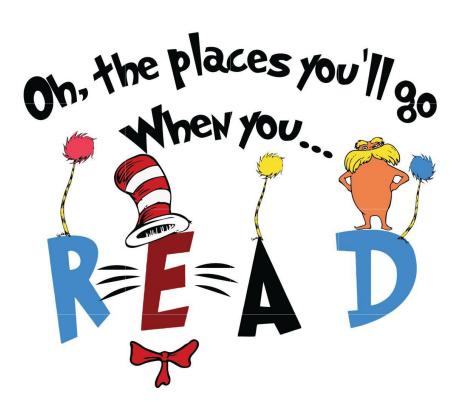
Children will also be encouraged to reflect on their learning from that week.

There will also be mini-topics set for homework twice each half term.



 Please let us know if your child will have any difficulty accessing online learning at home.

Reading



- •Every child will be able to select a school reading book.
- •Children should read at home every day and complete their reading record.
- •Reading records and reading books should be brought to school every day.
- •Summer Reading Challenge: All Hertfordshire schools are promoting the importance of reading throughout the holidays. You can pick up a pack from any library from the middle of July. Your child will be challenged to read 6 books and receive rewards on the way to their goal!

VALUES EDUCATION at Fairlands!



- We agree on one value to work on per month, excluding August.
- We think about the value in assemblies.
- We will talk about the value in class and blog our thoughts.
- We will talk about the value at home.
- Each week, we will try to prove to our teachers, parents, and each other, that we can **show the value 'in action'**.
- In Achievement Assembly, we will all decide who deserves special Values Certificates, to celebrate people who have shown the value during the week.

Our learning behaviours



- ▶ Perseverance
- ▶ Reflection
- ▶ Risk-taking
- ▶ Resilience
- ▶Independence
- Questioning

Uniform Expectations



- Grey trousers / dresses / skirts / tailored shorts
- White polo shirts / shirts / blouses
- Navy blue sweatshirt / cardigan
- Blue gingham summer dresses
- PLAIN black shoes or trainers
- NO HOODIES!

Other Uniform Information:

- Long hair should be tied back at all times, with a simple, plain band – no large bows
- If wearing earrings, only 1 pair of simple studs is permitted
- Watches may be worn, but no other jewellary is permitted

 Please provide appropriate clothing to access the outside area each day – a waterproof coat is essential! We have limited storage space. Please do not send your child to school with a large bag containing equipment from home. A simple book bag is all that is needed.



P.E Kit



 Navy blue jogging bottoms / shorts / leggings

White t-shirt

Trainers

Taking pride in our appearance



The school uniform policy sets out clearly the expectations



All children are expected to dress according to the policy



If you child is not appropriately dressed, they will be given suitable clothing to wear. They will be told to remove jewellery, and a letter will be sent home with a reminder of school policy.

Please don't send your child to school with:

- Toys
- Valuables
- Jewellery
- Mobile phone
- Chewing gum
- Nail varnish/make-up
- Stickers/swapping cards
- Anything that could be lost or broken, or cause distraciton



Assistant headteacher, SENCo Mrs Julie Jeffries

At Fairlands we believe in achievement for all and we pride ourselves on our strong inclusive ethos.



Parent concerns
about child's
progress to be
shared with class
teacher. Can relate to
academic needs;
social and emotional
needs; physical and
sensory needs or
speech and
communication.



Teachers will observe child through quality first teaching. Any barriers to learning and needs will be shared with SENCo and Deputy head.



Additional support will be put in place and shared with parents regularly. SENCo will be available at parent teacher consultations and by contacting school office for an appointment.

Our SEND policy and SEND report are available on the school website.

If you have any questions about these please do not hesitate to contact me.



Have you considered being a school governor?

Would you like to help shape the future for the next generation?

Do you have a valuable/professional skill you can offer?

Are you committed to contributing to your local community?

If you answer YES to any of the above, please get in touch

We are keen to recruit governors who reflect our diverse community and the school We welcome anyone who is interested in school governance, but especially those with skills and expertise in health & safety, communications, social care and education.

All new governors with full training and support

Please get in touch for a virtual coffee chat Claire.Peacock@Fairlands.herts.sch.uk

Year 6 additional information



SATs

- Children sit tests in:
- Reading
- Maths
- + Arithmetic
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar
 - Writing assessed by teachers throughout the year

Preparing for SATs



Whatever we think about SATs, whether we agree with them or not, all Year 6 children have to sit them



We try to get the balance right, so that children are well prepared and have had frequent opportunities to practise, but also study a broad and balanced curriculum



Once at secondary schools, they will be tested half termly!

SATs week 2023

The national test week for Year 6 will be Monday 8th May **2023** until Thursday 11th May **2023**.

It is important every child attends school this week.

Please do not book family holidays or appointments during this week.