



St Mary and St Peter Catholic Primary School

Set Sail for Success



Year 6 CLASS LETTER September 2021

Welcome to Year 6.

Your child's final year in Primary School and believe me it will go so quickly.

I am so looking forward to teaching your child this year and we've got much to look forward to.

I know that the last two years have been massively uncertain and I am hoping for a much more settled year in order to prepare your child fully for the transition to high school.

Things you could explore at home to help your child's learning

- Math homework – this will be sent home weekly to reinforce the work being taught in class. It will be given out on a Friday and should be returned by the following Friday. It really benefits the children to complete this homework as it's extra practice that will support them in their learning.
- Spellings – these will also be sent home on a Friday ready for the spelling test the following week.
- English – this will normally be reading comprehension, writing practice or some SPAG work. This will be given out on a Friday and should be returned by the following Friday.

Please note, due to the loss of learning time over the last two years, it is more important than ever that the children are completing their homework. We want the children to be as successful as possible in their SATs this year and we will need your support in order to do this.

- **Reading and library** – Your child should be reading daily at home. This does not always have to be their school issued reading book, although these books are designed to practice any Phonics your child may be struggling with. In order to become free readers, your child needs to be able to read fluently and your support with this at home would be extremely beneficial. Your children all have access to the class and school library and books can be taken home.
- Times table practice- it is essential that the children know their times tables in order to complete a huge portion of the Year 6 Math curriculum. Your child will struggle with many of the topics without a secure knowledge of times tables. Please encourage/ support your child to practice these at home. All children have TimesTables Rockstars logins that they can use to support them with practicing these.

Please take note of these points

- PE – Our PE lesson is on a Thursday and children should come in PE kits on this day – please check the uniform policy for information on the PE kit that your child should wear. Children will be doing their PE lessons outside. Please ensure that your child is wearing the appropriate named PE kit for the weather (e.g. jogging bottoms, hat, sweatshirt, sturdy trainers etc...) As we have swimming on a Friday this half term, we will only be completing one PE lesson a week as swimming counts as the other. I will inform you of the second PE day later in the half term.
- Library – the children will get the chance to visit the library at least once weekly. I recommend that the children have their library books available every day so that they can access these when needed during school time.

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| How you can get in contact with us | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can write a note in your child's diary. The diaries will be the main form of communication between the school and yourselves. It is important that the school diaries are checked daily so that you can keep up to date with any activities that have taken place during the school day. Please can you also sign to acknowledge that your child has read during the evening. • If it is an urgent issue, please call the school office. • Alternatively, if your message isn't urgent please contact the school office via email or telephone. |
| <p>If you have any questions or queries, then please don't hesitate to get in touch. My door is always open. Many thanks for your support.</p> | |
| <i>Miss D MELTON</i> | <i>Year 6 Class Teacher</i> |