

Welcome to Year Six

Meet the Year 6 Team!

2022-2023





Arbor

Meet the team:

Ms Gignac

Mr Guest

Mrs Federman

Mrs Ditchman

Mr Feldman

Miss Williams

Attendance and Punctuality

- It is more important than ever that children are in school and ready to learn on time!
- Children can arrive from 8:30 and lessons begin at 8:55



Children walking home alone

- Please complete the google form if you want your child to walk
- Alternatively, you can put a note into your child's home link book



Mobile Phones

- Children who need to bring a mobile phone to school may do so but their phone must be kept in their bags
- *Their phone is their responsibility*
- Any phones used during the school day without permission will be confiscated and **a parent will need to attend the office to collect the device.**
- Parents / Carers - please ensure that the office has the most up to date numbers - so that we are able to contact you in an emergency.

Digital Security

- Please ensure that you keep your login details private and change them at least once per term.
- Problems can occur when pupils share their details with friends.
- The Woodcroft email system is a closed system with inbuilt security to filter.

PE Day: Thursday



Winter kits
needed now!

Pupils must come to school wearing their PE uniform every Thursday.

After half term children will have one extra P.E Session on Friday. Children should come to school in their P.E kit on Friday **after** half term.

School uniform and PE kit



School uniform

1. A red sweatshirt.
2. A white plain shirt or polo shirt
3. Grey trousers (boys & girls) or a grey skirt
4. In summer, grey school shorts, plain white polo shirt or red and white check dresses may be worn.
5. Plain red baseball caps are available from the school. Branded caps are not permitted to be worn.
6. Low heeled black shoes must be worn. Trainers (except for PE), boots, open toed sandals or 'mules' are **not suitable for school and should not be worn.**

PE Kit

1. Plain navy shorts
2. Plain white T shirt (no polo)
3. Trainers for outdoor games (gym work is done barefoot)
4. P.E. bag
5. Black or navy tracksuit trousers
6. Black or navy tracksuit sweat top (no hood)
7. Change of socks

Homework Schedule

Day	Homework to hand in
Monday	<p>Reading Test vocabulary words written into sentences (using correct punctuation and joined up handwriting).</p> <p>Spelling Sheets (Word Explorer and Practise Grid)</p>
Tuesday	<p>1st set of comprehension questions (fiction section).</p>
Wednesday	<p>Maths homework.</p>
Thursday	<p>2nd set of comprehension questions (non-fiction).</p>
Friday	<p>ALL NEW HOMEWORK HANDED OUT</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bring your reading booklet to class everyday.	

Home Link Books

- Whole school focus: Reading
- Please ensure that your child is recording what they read each night.
- **We are also asking that they write a short comment about what they have read each day, or a longer paragraph each week**
- Children should bring their homelink book to school **every day**
- The children will also need to ask their parents/carers to **sign their homelink book once a week - this will be checked every Thursday.**
- Please check that the agreements are signed at the front!

Reading homework

- Every child should be reading for **20 minutes** per evening and recording it in their Homelink book.
- Children will be given a new reading booklet every Friday
- A digital version of the comprehension text is also available on the Google Classroom
- The booklet contains two comprehension texts with questions
- Fiction questions will be due in on Tuesday
- Non fiction question will be due in on Thursday

We will phase in the amount of homework as we know it is a significant change for pupils.

Spelling Homework

- This year, we are using the spelling scheme called Sounds-Write
- This uses a combination of phonics and syllables to help children learn to spell
- The children will be given 12 words a week and will be asked to learn their spellings using these new strategies

Sounds Write Spellings

Week 1 Word Explorer Grid

Spelling: ay	Number of syllables	Write with syllable mark	Number of phonemes (sounds)	Write with sound lines
explain	2	ex plain	6	<u>E</u> <u>x</u> <u>p</u> <u>l</u> <u>a</u> <u>i</u> <u>n</u>
debate	2	de bate	8	<u>d</u> <u>e</u> <u>b</u> <u>a</u> <u>t</u> <u>e</u>
indicate	3	ln di cate		
spectator				
eliminate				
demonstrate				

Testing Schedule



Children will have an opportunity to show their progress!

Half termly - the children will practise tests similar to those that they will do in May. Results will go home to you so that you can see the progress and help your children with their learning.

SATs week between Monday 8th May 2023 – Thursday 11th May 2023

Please mark that week in your diary! Please do not make any appointments this week.

RAF Trip



Tuesday 8th November

Learning about life during WW2.

£2 voluntary contribution on Arbor Pay (details to follow)

Equipment Checklist

1. Writing pencils
2. Handwriting pens - black or blue
3. Ruler
4. Rubber
5. Pencil sharpener
6. Highlighter
7. See-through pencil case (testing)
8. Green and purple pens are useful too



Pupil Premium funding

Please inform the school if you are eligible (**Approx £1320 EXTRA FUNDING!**) Check with the office if you are unsure.

Breakfast Club / After School Club

Acorns After School Club / Breakfast Club
enquiries - please see Mrs Hurley in the office.



Secondary Transfer

Applications are open now!

Deadline for (online) applications to secondary schools is **31 October 2022**

Information packs were distributed at meetings last term, but can also be downloaded from our website. <https://www.woodcroft.barnet.sch.uk/secondary-transfer-2023/>

Please log onto the **eAdmissions** website, register and make your selections.

Most secondary schools are holding open evenings over the next few weeks - please take the opportunity to visit the schools that you are considering.

More information available on the Barnet website:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/apply-secondary-school/transferring-secondary-school>

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Residential Trip: Wednesday 7th to Friday 9th June 2023

- A great experience with 'The Bushcraft Company' Hatfield, Hertfordshire: activities and bush craft skills in a tented village.
- £185 per child, £20 initial deposit on Arbor
- Pay the rest in installments
- Includes all food and activities
- Letters given out
- More are available

Video <http://www.thebushcraftcompany.com/>



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Chief Executive, Trinity College London
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Certificate issued 8 August 2017
Qualification number: 501/0081/6
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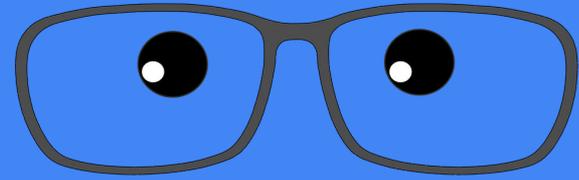
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Dates for the Diary

- Parent Consultation Evenings - **Monday 3rd** and **Thursday 6th October**
(online)
- RAF visit Tuesday 8th November
- International Colours Day - Friday 21st October
- Secondary Application deadline 31st October
- BBC Children in Need - 'FOOTBALL PUDSEY' Day Friday 18th November



Eyesight check

If you think it's necessary, please can you take your child to the optician.

We find that many children start to have difficulties as they hit their growth spurt in Year 6 and it is crucial that they can see clearly.

Concerns?

- If you have any concerns please feel free to write a note into your child's homelink to schedule a conversation with one of the year six team.
- **Please remind your child to show any new notes to their teacher as soon as they are written!**

Thank you for your time.

Any questions?