

Welcome to Year 6

2025 - 26



Staff

Phase Leader:

Mrs Robertson

- **6B** Mr Bermpos
- **6T** Ms Thomas
- **6P** Ms Pindoria

Teaching Assistants:

- ▶ Miss Malik
- ▶ Mrs B

Spanish Teacher:

- ▶ Mrs Fernandez

Swimming Teacher:

- Mrs Banfield



Routines

- ▶ Mobile phones (basic, brick phones only) may be brought by independent travellers but MUST be handed in to the teacher on arrival and NOT used on the school premises at home time.
- ▶ Children who were independent travellers in year 5 will continue to be unless you wish to change this.
- ▶ Lunch time: 12.30 - 1.30
- ▶ Healthy snack for break time (fresh fruit or veg ONLY)
- ▶ If you wish to speak to your child's teacher, please make an appointment via the office or speak to the teacher at the end of the day.
- ▶ If you wish to contact me, please do so via the office.



Attendance & Punctuality



- ▶ Regular attendance is essential to your child's progress, and we encourage children to aim for 100%.
- ▶ However, should your child be unwell, please phone the school in the morning and let the office know.
- ▶ Remember - holidays should be taken in holiday time and if they are not, in certain circumstances parents will be fined.
- ▶ Register is taken at 9.00 and the first lesson starts soon after.
- ▶ Children who arrive earlier than 9.00, however, will benefit from extra practice of key skills such as handwriting, spelling, punctuation, times tables etc. If possible, they should be at school at 8.40.



Timetable



8.40 – 9.00 (Soft Start)	9.00 – 10.15	10.15-10.45	10.50 -11.10	11.10- 11.25	11.25 – 12.30	12.30– 1.30	1.30 – 3.15
Reading Skills practice Finishing work	English: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Writing• Grammar• Spelling	Reading: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guided reading• Accelerated reading	Assembly: In hall or class	BREAK	Maths	LUNCH	Other subjects: Science History / Geography Art / Design Technology PSHE Religious Education Music Computing Spanish PE

PE / Swimming Times

PE

Children to wear PE kit to school

- ▶ 6T Tuesdays
- ▶ 6P Thursdays
- ▶ 6B Fridays
- ▶ Current unit till half term is Dance

Swimming (alternate weeks)

- ▶ 6T & 6B on Thursday afternoon
- ▶ 6P on Friday afternoon



Bringing Equipment to School



Every child needs **a school book bag** for their library books and letters

NO back packs as we do not have room to store them

Swimming kits must be taken home after swimming

Packed lunches to be brought in a packed lunch box or bag



Water bottle - preferably re-useable

Please **NO toys or personal items** from home

Coats or jackets for cold or wet weather, sun hats for hot weather

No hoodies in place of school jumpers

Uniform

- ▶ Children should look neat and tidy
- ▶ White polo shirts. If buttoned shirt worn, it must be tucked in to trousers or skirt
- ▶ School sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
- ▶ Plain black shoes, no boots or trainers - no logos
- ▶ White or grey socks only
- ▶ Purple or black headscarves only
- ▶ Hair accessories black, white or purple only
- ▶ Long hair below shoulder length must be tied back
- ▶ No jewellery or SMART watches - ear studs only, other items only with permission from Head Teacher

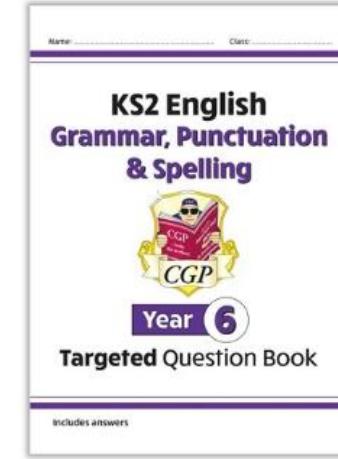
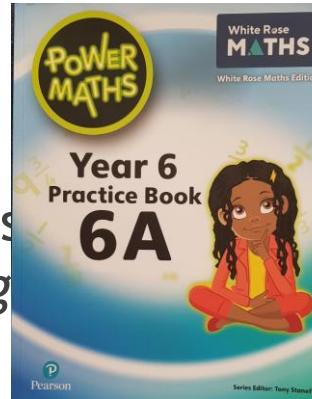
PE:

- ▶ plain white shirt
- ▶ plain black shorts, leggings or joggers

Colindale Primary School - Uniform List				
	Sweat shirt / cardigan Purple Colindale Jumper or cardigan (with logo) available online from Smiths School Wear			All items of clothing and personal belongings should be clearly labelled with the child's name to reduce the risk of loss
Top White polo shirt (logo optional) Available at any supermarket or department store.		Purple checked School summer dress or playsuit Available at any supermarket or department store.		
Bottoms Grey Trousers, shorts, skirt, or pinafore dress (children can wear either trousers or skirt) Available at any supermarket or department store.				
Shoes Plain black school shoes (no boots or trainers with coloured soles or trims)		Socks or tights Plain grey, or white only	 	
Bag Purple Colindale bookbag (with logo) available online from Smiths School Wear		Headscarves and hair accessories. Headscarves should be plain purple or black. All hair accessories should be black, white or purple.	 	
PE Kit Plain white PE t-shirt		Black shorts, joggers or leggings	Plain black hoodie or sweatshirt (no logos)	Plain black plimsolls or trainers

Home Learning

- ▶ In year 6 the children are given homework books
 - English - *Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling*
 - Maths - *Power Maths*
- ▶ Each week on **Fridays** they will be given pages to complete from each of these books - they should only work on the pages indicated by the teacher.
- ▶ It is vital the children complete the set pages and bring the books back to school on **Mondays** when the work is assessed and marked in class by the children.
- ▶ We will also send home **library books** and **spelling lists** - **children need to learn all Year 3,4,5 & 6 words.**
- For other work to do at home, please visit the **Home Learning** section of our website and click on the year 6 tab.
- Or click on this link: <https://www.colindale.barnet.sch.uk/year-6-home-learning-page/>



Home Learning

Home Learning at Colindale during school closure
Click on the corresponding button below for your child's year group to find weekly lessons during school closure.

Nursery	Reception
Year 1	Year 2
Year 3	Year 4
Year 5	Year 6

Wellbeing

- ▶ Focus in school on **mental health and emotional well-being**
- ▶ Daily 'emotions check-in' in class
- ▶ Encourage children to **share problems** they might have - worry box for privacy
- ▶ Children are encouraged to speak to teachers, support staff or phase leader
- ▶ Parent concerns - contact class teacher directly or via school office
- ▶ If the issue is not resolved, or is beyond the scope of the class teacher, please contact me



Year 6 is a time of significant change for children:

1. Transition to secondary school
2. Puberty
3. Anxiety over assessments and tests, including SATs results
4. Changing peer relationships as children mature
5. Increased access to social media can cause issues, such as bullying and feeling isolated, as well as the chance to access inappropriate materials



Behaviour

- ▶ Key underlying rules:
 1. Keep yourself and others safe
 2. Respect everyone in the school
 3. Listen to adults and follow their instructions
- ▶ Class rules drawn up by children
- ▶ Staff follow 'Behaviour jumps' if child exhibits poor behaviour
- ▶ Sanctions could be: moving seat, missing break and/or lunch, working in another class or office of senior staff, internal or external exclusion
- ▶ Parents always informed of serious incidents and ongoing patterns of poor behaviour

Use of Social Media & Internet Safety

Online Safety for Parents - Colindale Primary School

(Under Parents Tab)

We recommend that you:

- Use parental control facilities on any Wi-Fi enabled equipment that your child uses
- Talk to your child about the sites they access; build an understanding of honesty and trust
- Ensure that you can see or hear what your child is doing online at all times
- NEVER allow your child to go to bed with Wi-Fi equipment on their own



Use of Social Media & Internet Safety

Issues we have had in school:

- ▶ Children watching highly inappropriate videos (adult content) and passing these to each other
- ▶ Children writing abusive messages to each other on WhatsApp and other social messaging apps such as Discord and in-game chats
- ▶ Children bullying peers via apps
- ▶ Children taking photos or making videos of themselves and uploading or sharing these, e.g. to YouTube or other sites



Topics, Trips & Events

Autumn Term: WORLD WAR 2

- 9th September - Shakespeare Workshop in school
- 4th November- RAF Museum - 1940s classroom
- 8th - 10th October - School Journey to Hindleap Warren

<https://hindleapwarren.org>

Spring Term: RAINFOREST

- Proposed - Animal workshop in school

Summer Term: JOURNEY OF LIFE

- Proposed - Southend on Sea (Theme Park) during last full week of term in July



Assemblies & Celebrations

- ▶ Year 6 will have a **weekly phase group** assembly with year 5 led by Mrs Robertson
- ▶ **Singing assemblies** - weekly, with the rest of KS2
- ▶ **Daily assemblies** in class with class teacher on the other days
- ▶ **Class assemblies:**
 - 6P Friday 24th October (Diwali)
 - 6B Tuesday 11th November (Armistice Day)
 - 6T Friday 14th November (Children in Need)
- ▶ **End of year performance & Graduation Ceremony** - end of Summer Term, during week



Other Key Events

Open Lesson Autumn Term

Thursday 2nd October



Parent Consultations Autumn Term: Tuesday 21st & Thursday 23rd October

SATs: Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May 2025

You will receive further information about the SAT tests in the Spring term.





Any Questions?