

# **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 by contacting 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	<b>English:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing</li> <li>• Grammar</li> <li>• Spelling</li> </ul>	<b>Reading:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guided reading</li> <li>• Accelerated reading</li> </ul>	<b>Assembly:</b> In hall or class	BREAK	<b>Maths</b>	LUNCH	<b>Other subjects:</b> 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
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- ▶ 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 reusable

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

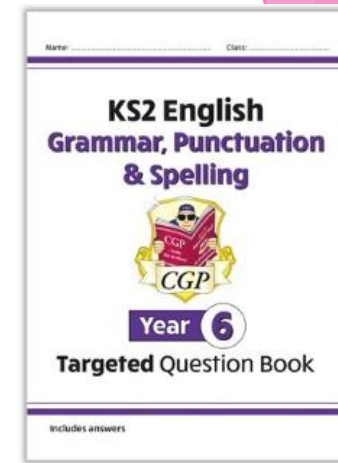
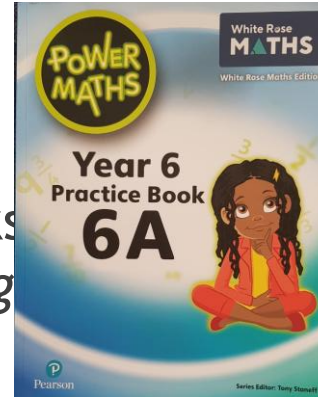
- ▶ PE:
- ▶ plain white shirt
  - ▶ plain black shorts, leggings or joggers

Colindale Primary School - Uniform List				
<b>Sweat shirt / cardigan</b>				<b>All items of clothing and personal belongings should be clearly labelled with the child's name to reduce the risk of loss</b>
Purple Colindale jumper or cardigan (with logo) available online from <a href="#">Smiths School Wear</a>				
<b>Top</b>		Purple checked School summer dress or playsuit  <b>Available at any supermarket or department store.</b>		
White polo shirt (logo optional) <b>Available at any supermarket or department store.</b>				
<b>Bottoms</b>				
Grey Trousers, shorts, skirt, or pinafore dress (children can wear either trousers or skirt) <b>Available at any supermarket or department store.</b>				
<b>Shoes</b>		<b>Socks or tights</b> Plain grey, or white only		
Plain black school shoes (no boots or trainers with coloured soles or trims)				
<b>Bag</b>		<b>Headscarves and hair accessories.</b>  Headscarves should be plain purple or black. All hair accessories should be black, white or purple.		
Purple Colindale bookbag (with logo) available online from <a href="#">Smiths School Wear</a>				
<b>PE Kit</b>	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/>



# 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
- 8<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> October (Diwali)
  - 6B Tuesday 11th November (Armistice Day)
  - 6T Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November (Children in Need)
- ▶ **End of year performance & Graduation Ceremony** - end of Summer Term, during the last week



# Other Key Events

## Open Lesson Autumn Term

Thursday 2nd October



## Parent Consultations Autumn Term: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> & Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**SATs:** Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025

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



# **Any Questions?**