

A message about Year 6.

Welcome to the 2nd Autumn term, we hope you all had a wonderful break and are raring to go with new texts and topics!

English

Our English texts this half term are 'Pig Heart Boy' by Malorie Blackman, which we are all really looking forward too. If possible, try to read some of the book at home, it is available online here: [Read Pig-Heart Boy online free by Malorie Blackman \(onlinereadfreenovel.com\)](https://www.onlinereadfreenovel.com/)

You can **listen** to the book, for free, online here:

[Pig Heart Boy: Chapter 1 in Pig Heart Boy by Malorie Blackman \(soundcloud.com\)](https://www.soundcloud.com/)

And 'How to live Forever' by Colin Thompson which is available to access on YouTube: [\[31\] How To Live Forever - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=31)

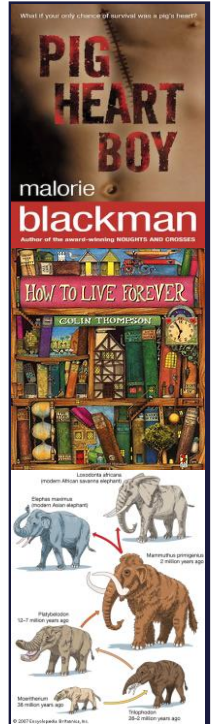
In writing, we will be learning about instructions texts and non-chronological reports.

Maths

In maths we will be focusing on multiplication, division and fractions, as well as continuing to refine our methods for the four operations.

Wider Curriculum

Our topic this term is science-based, continuing 'Existing, Endangered, Extinct', which looks at evolution and inheritance and then 'Full Power' - what types of energy we need and how is energy produced.



Uniform

Please ensure that children are wearing the correct uniform at all times:

- Navy blue pinafore dress, navy blue skirt
- Navy blue or dark grey tailored school trousers
- White school polo shirt
- Navy blue round neck jumper or cardigan with school logo which must be on the left side of the chest
- White or dark socks or navy blue tights
- Black low-heeled school shoes (no logos or motifs) or black trainers – these must be all black, no colours or logos.

PE Weekly time table

P.E. – please ensure children are wearing appropriate P.E. kit (plain blue, black or white t-shirt and shorts/tracksuit bottoms, plain trainers/plimsolls)

- Emin – Monday and Friday
- Hepworth – Wednesday and Thursday
- Zephaniah – Monday and Wednesday

Attendance and punctuality

Children need to be in class by 8:50am. Grammar and reading/writing are the first lessons and a vital part of the day – especially as we have SATs in May. Being on time also means a settled start to the school day for your child. **It is essential children attend school to achieve their best in these tests.**

Gates open at 8:45am daily. Please ensure that children arrive to school on time so that they do not miss essential learning.
If you collect your child, please ensure they are picked up by 3:20pm.

Events

Monday 3rd November – INSET
 Tuesday 4th November – First day back
 Week 1 – Diwali celebrations
 Tuesday 11th November – Remembrance Day
 Thursday 13th November – Vancols School Photos
 Friday 14th November – Children in Need
 Week 3 – Anti-bullying Week
 Monday 17th November – Odd socks day for anti-bullying
 Monday 8th December – The Young Shakespeare Company Year 6 workshop
 Thursday 11th December – Christmas lunch and Christmas jumper day
 Thursday 19th December – Year 6 Christmas Carol concert
 Friday 20th December – Last day of term

Homework

Homework will be given out weekly. It should be submitted by Wednesday morning at the latest.

Reading must be done every night and reading records should be brought in every day with 3 entries per week summarising what has been read.