

Welcome to Year 6



Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to welcome you to Year 6. I hope you all had a super summer break and that your child is ready for this important and rewarding year - their last at Willington Primary School. I know many of you know me already (we have an impressive amount of younger siblings in this class so many of our paths have crossed before) but for those of you who don't, I'm Miss Jones. I've been teaching here at Willington Primary since 2010 and have spent the last 8 years teaching Year 6. Mrs Jacob and I are looking forward to working with your children and providing the support and guidance they need to maximise their learning potential and become the best that they can be.

Year 6 is an incredibly important year, giving children the opportunity to bring together all of their prior learning in preparation to achieve the highest academic level possible ready to embark upon the next step at secondary school. With this in mind, it is essential that children try their hardest both in school **and** with tasks set to complete at home (homework, reading and spelling).

By now, children should be working towards being proficient in all areas, particularly in reading, writing and maths. To ensure that children achieve to their full potential, it is important that support in these key areas is provided at home as well as at school.

Reading - Please ensure your child reads regularly. It is their responsibility to ensure they are quizzing on Accelerated Reader (and passing the quizzes) frequently - this will be closely monitored in class.

Homework - Homework will be set on Seesaw every **Friday** and must be returned by the **following Thursday**. This will give children the opportunity to complete it at a convenient time – it also allows your child the time to come to us with questions, should they need to (they are welcome to complete homework on a Tue/Wed lunchtime if they'd prefer to do it in school.)

Spelling – Children will receive spellings on SpellingShed every **Tuesday**. These can be practised via games/activities on the website in preparation for a test the following **Monday**.

Contacting Us

We are contactable via Dojo every weekday between the hours of 8am - 5pm to answer any questions/address any concerns you may have. Feel free to message and we'll be in touch as soon as we can.

In the autumn term, PE will take place on a **Monday and Wednesday**. Children are to **come to school in their PE kit** for the PE session. For the first half of the term, children will be **swimming** on a **Monday** too so **please ensure to pack the appropriate kit (swimming costume, towel and swimming hat)**.

Year 6 can be a challenging and daunting prospect for children and parents alike but with hard work, continued effort, and a positive attitude we will learn, progress and achieve together...and might even have fun doing it!

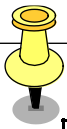
I look forward to an enjoyable and successful year!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Jones and Mrs Jacob

(Teacher) (Teaching Assistant)





<u>Subject</u>	<u>Subject</u>
English	<p>Writing- The children will be exploring a range of genres this half term including non chronological reports, warning stories, explanations and instructions. They will be developing their vocabulary and language choices as well as learning how to use grammatical devices (such as relative clauses) to good effect in their writing.</p> <p>Grammar- Children will become familiar with a range of grammatical terms as well as the difference between standard and non standard English. They will explore how sentences are structured and use skills they will master in their writing across the curriculum.</p> <p>Reading – Children will have reading sessions focussing on a range of question types. We will examine how to answer the</p>
Maths	We will be working on a wide range of mathematical skills in our daily maths sessions. This half term these will include: number and place value, decimals, addition and subtraction, patterns, sequences and basic algebra and the order of operations.
Science	Our first science unit will be light where children find out about light sources, how light travels and investigate shadows.
History	<p>This term the Year 6 topic will be The Mayans. During this topic, the children will learn a range of historical skills including:</p> <p>Using sources of evidence to deduce information about the past.</p> <p>Describing the characteristic features of the past, including ideas, beliefs, attitudes and experiences of men, women and children.</p> <p>Suggest causes and consequences of some of the main events</p>
PE	Children will be taught PE this term by Mr Littlefair. They will cover a range of skills culminating in team games and mini tournaments.

