

LANGMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL



Supporting Your Child in Year 6



Uniform:

Please could you ensure that children are in the correct **uniform** for the school day. Boys should wear grey or black trousers, a white shirt or polo shirt and a blue school jumper. Boys may wear grey school shorts in the summer. Girls should wear grey skirts or pinafores, a white shirt or polo shirt and a blue school jumper or cardigan. In the warmer months girls may also wear a blue checked dress. Can we also ask that where possible boys wear black or dark coloured shoes rather than trainers, and girls wear flat black or dark coloured shoes. **All children should have a change of shoes for indoor use**, if you are unable to provide plimsolls, please provide an alternative shoe *that can be kept in school*.

Children will also need the correct **PE kit** – white t-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls with the children in KS2 needing an outdoor kit. This should consist of jogging bottoms, school sweatshirt and trainers.

Walking home in Year 6:

If you would like your child to **walk home alone**, you **must sign** a Year 6 walking home letter. The year 5 letter, as outlined in the letter, does not count for Year 6.

Lockers:

Children in Year 6 have access to a **locker** to use, if you wish them to. Please see separate letter for permission to use a locker and to **pay a deposit for the key**.



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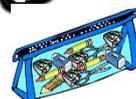
Your child will have a class PE session on a Friday and Wednesday. *For the foreseeable future we are asking children to come to school in their PE kit on these days so that they will not have to get changed in school. Trainers are best for sports and if we are outside your child MUST change their shoes when entering the school again; therefore, ensure your child has a change of plimsolls in school.*

****Please also note that for all PE activities no jewellery whatsoever must be worn, including earrings. Long hair must also be tied up****



Mobile Phones Year 6:

If you require your child to bring a mobile phone with them to school, this is fine for them to do so. Children **must hand them** into Mrs Bonser each morning, turning the phone completely off, and collect it from us at the end of the school day. We take no responsibility towards any phones left with us.



Pencil Cases Year 6:

Please bring a small pencil case; we will provide the equipment but we do ask that it is left in school.

Knowledge Organisers:

We continue to have 'Knowledge Organisers' for each unit we learn about. These will help you and your child understand each topic and provide you with vocabulary needed, including information about websites where children can find out even more information to support their learning! They will be available on the school web site in the Year 6 section.

Homework:

Homework will be set weekly on a Friday and must be ready for the following Wednesday ready for children to mark and share in class. ****It is very important that children do their homework, therefore lots of encouragement would be appreciated!****

Children should spend at about 30 minutes a week on each subject: Maths, Comprehension and Grammar. In addition to this, children should be reading regularly a wide range of fiction and non-fiction books regularly and finally revising their spellings each week (*tests on Thursdays*).

It is good practice for children to do their homework at the weekend and then this leaves plenty of time if they need help on Monday at homework club between 12.15 and 12.45. It also gives plenty of finishing time before hand in day to finish off at home. Occasionally, other topic homework will also be set so children need to be organised with their time!

When you read with your child – please write and sign a note into your child's diary so that I can keep a record of this. Rewards will be given for regular reading with an adult at home 😊

Class Assembly & Parent Morning:

We will have our class assembly in November (Date TBC).

I will also be holding a SAT meeting after our class assembly to explain the process and answer any questions you might have about SATs; however, please read on to see how you can support your child now on the next page...



Diary:

As a lot of children walk home alone and I do not get to see parents on the playground so often, children in Year 6 have a **home school diary**, which helps us to communicate effectively throughout the year. This **must** be in school every **Friday signed by the child's parent / guardian**. There is a space for you to leave a message for me, and I to you when required. It also helps the children to be organised by writing in it each week what is happening in school, clubs and homework etc. The diary can be handed in earlier if you have a message for me before Friday.



Class Curriculum Trip:

We have our first trip of the year booked in for November – Please see separate letter to follow soon 😊



Transfer to High School / College:

Please remember to apply to your chosen College or High School **BEFORE the end of October**. Gartree and Beauchamp hold open days and evenings to help you make your decision if you wish to go to them. If you choose a day event please let us know so we can record the absence in the register.



SAT information:

Spelling and Grammar: Children sit a SAT SPAG paper therefore children must know all key terms and be able to spell all words on the Y5 and 6 list, and beyond.

Writing: Children's assessment of writing is completed by ongoing teacher assessment and work completed in children's 'Publishing' books; therefore, children must be able to use a range of grammatical skills across a number of different text types and the whole wider curriculum on going over the course of the year. For Greater Depth children MUST apply skills across all curriculum books as well.

Reading: Children's assessment of reading is through their SAT paper. Children need to be able to read with fluency and speed and be able to answer different types of questions eg: retrieval of facts, making inferences and giving quotes to back up explanations.

Mathematics: Working with speed in all areas is important due to the short time available in the SATs tests – children will complete one arithmetic paper and two reasoning papers. Knowing and applying knowledge of times tables runs through all areas of mathematic so please test children often.

SATS will take place the week beginning **Monday 8th May 2023** – There will be no authorised absence in this week, all children must be in school.

Please DO NOT do **ANY** practise past papers / test papers at home (*it will not help my assessments and target setting if you do*). We also use a lot of CGP books in school; therefore, if you wish to purchase additional support for at home then please choose a different publisher eg: Collins or Letts.

If you have any questions please communicate through the home school diary or make an appointment via email to the office. I look forward to seeing you at Parents Evening in October 😊

Thank you for your continuing support...

Mrs Mayer-Gibb

