



# Greenfield Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you enjoyed the Christmas holidays and are ready for the next term of the year. Thank you from us all in Year 6 for your kind and generous gifts, they were very much appreciated. The children made some fantastic progress last term (you should have received their most recent SATs scores before we broke up) and we are now ready to build on these in this coming term. We will keep you informed of your child's next set of results from our February mock SATs, please give school a ring if you want to discuss anything.

Here's a quick overview of the subjects and topics that will be taught in Year 6 over the next term and some information regarding homework and PE. We hope you find this useful and that it enables you to discuss and research the topics that your child will be studying at home together.

## Maths

We will continue with daily revision of our arithmetic skills focusing on the newer topics of percentages, long division and calculating with decimals.

The focus in our main maths lessons this term will be on **ratio, algebra, area and perimeter, shape and space and statistics** and looking at how to tackle reasoning problems involving many different maths skills taught in the previous term. The majority of work we do in maths relies heavily on being able to recall key number facts:

- Doubles, halves, number bonds to 10, 100 and use these to solve problems with larger numbers.
- Being able to spot times table facts, we need to be able to recall our tables facts as quickly as we can answer our name.
- Using our times table knowledge for division and spotting factors e.g. knowing all the multiplication facts that make 36

Please encourage your child to regularly use Times Table Rockstars, Hit the Button and Maths Shed for working on their basic number facts such as mental addition and subtraction, number bonds, multiplying and dividing by powers of 10 and negative numbers.

## English

In our first half term, our class novel will be 'Street Child' by Berlie Doherty, which we will read for pleasure and as part of our reading comprehension lessons. We will also link our class text to our writing opportunities, including formal and informal letters and balanced arguments.

In our second half term, we will be studying the class text 'Clockwork' by Philip Pullman, which will help us to generate a range of writing opportunities including diary entries, fantasy portal narratives and explanation texts.

In addition to writing lessons, children will also be taught:

- Spelling – in these sessions children will continue to explore and learn spelling rules and patterns. Please make spelling a focus when reading through your child's sentence homework. Spellings will be put on Spelling Shed each week, please play on it as often as possible.
- Grammar – we will be looking at some new terminology this term as well as lots of revision on terminology learnt this past term. I'll be sending home regular mini SPaG tests as part of this term's homework.





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## Topics

In our first half term, our topic will have a History focus, answering the big question 'Why did everything change in the Victorian era?'. Within this topic, children will explore what life was like in the Victorian times, including schools, workhouses and the rich/poor divide. We approach topic lessons using questions to grip the children's interest and there will be smaller questions each week for them to explore in school.

In our second half term, we will be studying a Geography topic about coasts, answering the big question 'Is the coast always a beautiful and peaceful place?'. Within this topic, children will explore the different features of coasts, how they change over time and which natural disasters could take place along coastlines.

## Science

Our Science topic in our first half term is 'Light', in which children will understand how light travels and how we are able to see. In our second half term, we will be focusing on 'The Circulatory System', in which children will develop an understanding of how the heart pumps blood around the body. Our Science lessons will include a number of experiments and children will be expected to write up their experiments and discuss aspect such as fair testing, conclusions and presenting data.

## PE

Oak Class will be taught PE by the Oldham Sports Development Team on a **Tuesday** and by Miss Beardmore on a **Friday**, please ensure you wear full school PE kit on these days.

## Homework - children are expected to complete 2 ½ hours of homework each week when in year 6 (half an hour a night)

Homework is set on a Friday and is required to be brought back into school by the following Thursday to allow time for marking. Your child's homework will consist of:

- Reading book – aim to read at least 3 times a week and get an adult to sign your reading record to say you have read at home. Your reading record will need to be brought back to school weekly.
- Spelling Shed – practise your spellings at home ready for your Thursday test.
- TT Rockstars – practise your times tables weekly.
- Sentence writing – Write at least 5 sentences or a paragraph in your green homework book. Instructions will be stuck in your book to explain each week's task which will link to our writing in class.
- Maths Homework – Mrs Juster will set your Maths homework on Maths Shed each week. Some paper tasks may sometimes be sent home.
- English Homework – Grammar or Reading activity – this will be sent home each week on paper.

We hope that this information will be useful in supporting your child this coming term.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Beardmore and Mrs Juster  
Oak Class – Year 6

