



Year 6 termly information sheet

Welcome to the Autumn Term

We hope you find the following information useful.

This term, our PE will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Both lessons will be taught by Mr Allen.

On Tuesday afternoons, the classes will be taught by Mr Bushell (Computing) and Mr Allen.

Our spelling tests will take place on Fridays.

All children are expected to read to an adult at home at least 3 times a week. Please use the homework diaries to record when your child has read, you can also use this book to make any comments. Diaries will be checked once a week, on a Friday.

Homework will be set on Friday using Google Classroom and needs to be completed by the following Wednesday.

A list of 20 spellings will be published on Google classroom and children will be expected to write sentences for 10 words. They will also be offered printed copies to stick in their homework diaries for additional practice before the test on Friday.

How you can help at home:

- Please encourage your child to read and ask them questions to check their understanding.
- Work through the statutory spelling lists, checking and testing them regularly.
- Encourage regular use of Times Table Rock Stars and Hit the Button.

- Look at our blog on a Friday to see what we have been learning that week in school. <https://albancityschool.org.uk/Year-6-Amethyst-and-Magenta/>

Please do not hesitate to catch us in the morning during soft start or by requesting a telephone call. We are looking forward to working with your child this term.

Best wishes

The Year 6 team

English

Reading class text Boy Vs Reality by James Fox. Exploring our writing through the Guardian's advert based on the classic text of the Three Little Pigs. Creation of a leaflet linked to harmful substances and an analytical report based on the Mayans.

Maths

Place value, mental calculation strategies and properties of numbers. A re-introduction to fractions, including identifying a common denominator.

Science

The human body with a particular focus on the circulatory system. Other systems include the respiratory and digestive system.

P.E

Mr Allen will be teaching gymnastics, football, indoor athletics and netball.

R.E

Learning about the key ideas which underpin Buddhism and its origins.

Art

We will be looking at identity through different artists and portraits.

PSHE

Dangers and risks, legal and illegal substances, and the effects of food and exercise on the body.

Music

Learning the art of song writing. Working together to compose a blues song.

Spanish

Recap on previously taught vocabulary. Learning how to introduce ourselves and have short conversations.

Computing

Learn about 3D modelling and begin to explore variables in programming

Additional Activities

Cycle training is booked for the week beginning 19th October. More information to follow.

Reading

Please see on the next page a recommended reading list of Year 6 books. You could use it as a checklist for your child throughout the year.



50 Recommended Reads for...

Year 6 (ages 10-11)

✓ Which ones have you read?

Adventure Stories

- ☐  **The Explorer**
Katherine Rundell
- ☐  **The Ice Children**
M.G. Leonard & Penny Neville-Lee
- ☐  **The Secret of Golden Island**
Natasha Farrant

Thrillers and Science Fiction

- ☐  **I Am Wolf**
Alastair Chisholm
- ☐  **Boy in the Tower**
Polly Ho-Yen
- ☐  **North and the Only One**
Vashti Hardy
- ☐  **Reek**
Alastair Chisholm & George Caltsoudas

Historical Fiction

- ☐  **Shrapnel Boys**
Jenny Pearson
- ☐  **Rebel Heart**
Ally Sherrick
- ☐  **The Great Phoenix of London**
Lindsay Galvin
- ☐  **Angel of Grasmere**
Tom Palmer

Funny Books

- ☐  **The Blockbusters!**
Frank Cottrell-Boyce
- ☐  **Popcorn**
Rob Harrell
- ☐  **The Extremely Embarrassing Life of Lottie Brooks**
Katie Kirby

Animal Stories

- ☐  **The Lost Whale**
Hannah Gold & Levi Pinfold
- ☐  **Foxlight**
Katya Balen
- ☐  **My Dog**
Olivia Wakeford & David Litchfield

True-to-Life Stories

- ☐  **How To Roller-Skate with One Leg**
Ella Dove
- ☐  **The Boy with Big Decisions**
Helen Rutter
- ☐  **Knowing the Score**
Ros Roberts
- ☐  **Keedie**
Elle McNicoll
- ☐  **Zak Monroe is (not) My Friend**
Simon Packham

Mystery and Detective Books

- ☐  **Murder Most Unladylike**
Robin Stevens
- ☐  **People Like Stars**
Patrice Lawrence

Fantasy and Mythology

- ☐  **Skandar and the Unicorn Thief**
A. F. Steadman
- ☐  **Artemis Fowl**
Eoin Colfer
- ☐  **The Boy to Beat the Gods**
Ashley Thorpe
- ☐  **Storyland**
Amy Jeffs
- ☐  **Onyeka and the Academy of the Sun**
Tolá Okogwu

Classic Stories

- ☐  **Tom's Midnight Garden**
Philippa Pearce
- ☐  **Skellig**
David Almond & Tom de Freston
- ☐  **Holes**
Louis Sachar

Poetry

- ☐  **The Final Year**
Matt Goodfellow & Joe Todd-Stanton
- ☐  **Funky Chickens**
Benjamin Zephaniah
- ☐  **Love That Dog**
Sharon Creech
- ☐  **Spin!**
Joseph Coelho & Ruthine Burton

Thought-Provoking Reads

- ☐  **The Boy in the Suit**
James Fox
- ☐  **Front Desk**
Kelly Yang & Maïke Plenzke
- ☐  **The Shark Caller**
Zillah Bethell & Saara Soederlund
- ☐  **Pig Heart Boy**
Malorie Blackman
- ☐  **The Wrong Shoes**
Tom Percival

Graphic Novels

- ☐  **Smile**
Raina Telgemeier
- ☐  **When Stars Are Scattered**
Victoria Jamieson, Omar Mohamed & Iman Geddy

Picturebooks

- ☐  **The Viewer**
Gary Crew & Shaun Tan
- ☐  **BLITZ: One Family's War**
Martin Impey

Non-Fiction Books

- ☐  **Insectarium**
Dave Goulson & Emily Carter
- ☐  **Hardit Singh Malik: World War One Flying Ace**
Balli Rai
- ☐  **You Are a Champion**
Marcus Rashford & Carl Anka
- ☐  **Cleopatra**
Alexandra Stewart & Hannah Peck
- ☐  **The Sahara**
Christina Webb & Muti



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