

Welcome to Year 6 2023 - 2024



Year 6 staff:

Beech Class Teachers:

- Miss Taylor (Tuesdays)



- Mr Young



Support staff:

- Mrs Magee



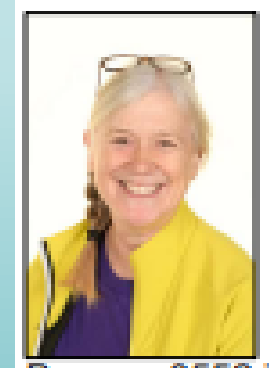
Juniper Class Teacher:

- Mrs Guy



Year 6 TAs:

- Miss Clarke



- Mrs Smith



Where we are!

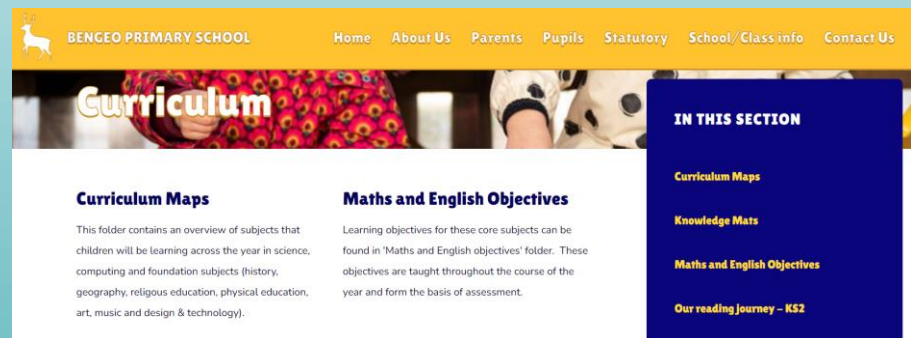
**Entrance
to Juniper**



**Entrance
to Beech**

Curriculum map

- The curriculum map for Year 6 is on the school website.
- For some children, it is useful to talk through what is coming, particularly in terms of vocabulary.
- (Sometimes we make changes to the curriculum - we will let you know if we do)
- Please do not read the core texts ahead of time as an important part of children's learning is the ability to predict.



KS2 SATs

- The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 13th May to Thursday 16th May 2024
- SPAG (45mins) + Spelling test (20 spellings from KS2 spelling list)
- Reading (60mins)
- Mathematics - 1 x arithmetic (30mins), 2 x reasoning (40mins each) and
- Writing is teacher assessed.
- A SATs and residential meeting will take place later in the year. There will also be an opportunity to buy SATs revision books through the school before Christmas.

Spelling

- There is more emphasis on spelling and grammar in the current curriculum.
- We are following the year 5/6 spellings and spelling rules.
- Spelling tests are on a Friday.
- Please encourage your children to use their phonic knowledge to sound out words one sound at a time.
- Some children may be taking part in an additional spelling programme designed to support them in securing their sounds and spelling patterns.
- The Y5/Y6 statutory spelling list is also on the website or you can collect a copy from your child's class teacher.





Homework

- As a reading school, our priority for homework is daily reading.
- Children in Year 6 can comment in and sign their reading record on a daily basis with the expectation that parents and staff will check weekly.
- In addition, there will be weekly homework set - containing spellings, English and Maths practise covering what we have learnt that week.

- In Y6 we expect:
- daily reading and book discussion
- weekly homework is set on a Friday on Google Classroom. It should be completed by the following Friday.



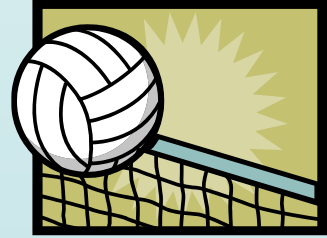


Reading

- Bengo Primary School places a lot of importance on reading, both at school and at home
- Children are given many opportunities for reading and talking about books at school. We expect them to read at home and out loud to an adult as well as discussing the text.
- In Year 6, our reading focus is on fluency and comprehension rather than decoding.
- Fluency is harder to achieve if children are not selecting appropriately pitched books. Please help your child with this.
- To help with enjoyment and comprehension, please spend time talking about vocabulary, characters, plot, style, context, the author's style and intention, eg. to create a picture with words.
- While it is lovely for children to find a genre or author that they particularly enjoy, it is important that they are reading a wide range of genres and books by both significant authors and those less well-known.



PE



- PE kit: navy blue shorts, white round-necked T-shirt, trainers for outdoor PE, navy blue tracksuit bottoms in cold weather. Bare feet for gymnastics/dance.
- PE kit should be left at school in a bag and should be named. It will be sent home regularly for washing.
- Our PE days are Tuesdays (indoors) and Thursdays (outdoors).

Break Time Snacks

- As part of our Healthy School's status, we are trying to promote healthy snacks at break time, such as fresh fruit or vegetables.
- We are a nut and sesame free school.



Wet weather

- Please ensure children bring in coats every day as they will be expected to go out at playtimes.



Attendance and punctuality

- Please ensure children are supervised before entering the classroom, *not* running around and playing on equipment.
- Please try and aim for a prompt start as learning starts immediately on entry into the classrooms.
- Doors open at 8:45am and again at 3.20pm for collection.



Communication

- It is important for teachers to greet the children in the morning and therefore there will not be time for a chat with parents or carers other than a quick hello or message about picking up.
- It is easier to talk after school, except on days when we have meetings.
- If you do have an important question or query, please do email the office and they will ensure that we receive your messages.
- Google Classroom will be used for homework only.
- All children have been invited on to their new Google Classroom so please accept the invitations.



Together we are stronger!



Our partnership is essential to your child's education. We value your help and support. If you have any questions or comments, please email the school.

