

Emmbrook Junior School



Curriculum Bulletin Year 6

Autumn Term 2017

Year Group News

Welcome to Year 6

I hope that you have all had a fantastic Summer and are ready for your child's final year at Emmbrook Junior School.

During the Autumn term, we will be starting our new topic: World War 2. We will be discussing and reflecting on how the events during this time have shaped the world we live in today. Our focus therefore will be on the use of historical skills as we learn about life during the war.

As you know, this is a very important year for your child. They have an important role to play in setting an example to the rest of the school and in preparing for secondary school. A hugely important factor in your child's success will be the support you provide at home. Outlined in this bulletin are the homework requirements for year 6. Please support and encourage your child to complete all tasks to the best of their ability, and by the deadline.

We always welcome the involvement of the whole school community. If you have an interest or expertise, or even some exciting artefacts linked to our topics to share, please speak with your child's teacher.

Mr Thomas, Mrs Preston, Mr Fenton and the Year 6 team

Curriculum Information

This is the work we will cover in each curriculum area this term.

We hope that this information will enable you to give support to your child. You could use the information in a variety of ways:

- As a basis for discussion about school and work.
- To borrow from the library/or buy appropriate books.
- To look out for suitable television or radio programmes and videos.
- To look out for suitable newspaper and magazine articles.
- To help your child find suitable information in encyclopedias and from the internet.



Autumn Term

World War 2



Maths

Place value
Calculation
Fractions
Geometry

Art

Exploring
techniques

English

Narrative - Friend or Foe
Balance arguments
Recounts
Narrative - Once
Poetry - Imagery



Science

Light
Electricity

French

Making monsters



History

Life during and after WW2

Design and Technology

Cooking on a budget (rationing)

PE

Indoor - Gymnastics
Outdoor - Football, tag
rugby and netball

RE

Islam

Geography

Reading Maps



Computing

Digital imagery
Coding



PSHE/ Circle

Time

New Beginnings
Getting on and falling

Music

Journeys: rhythm
patterns and part songs

Reminders

SPELLINGS



- The school uses the Ruth Miskin Read, Write Inc. scheme. Spelling sessions take place once per week for an hour. Children are encouraged to write any spellings they are unsure of into their red spelling book for practice and improvement. If you have any problems regarding spellings, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. There will no longer be a spelling test each week; spellings will be monitored in all lessons. You will receive a list of words which you can encourage your child to learn.

READING



- Reading is such an important part of a child's life. It is essential that children read at home regularly (either with or without an adult). Each child, therefore, is asked to read for a **minimum of 10 minutes per day**. This can be a book (or alternative text such as magazine or newspaper) of their choice or the texts which are brought home from school (or both!). Each child will have at least 2 books that they will bring home each day in their reading folder. One book will be from the Emmbrook Scheme and one will be from the KS2 Oxford Reading Tree Scheme.
- We would like to encourage you to read with your child and discuss the text that they are reading. We will provide questions and prompts to aid this.
- Either you or your child can add information to the Reading Record (details of each reading session per day). However, please sign your child's Reading Record **at least once per week** to confirm what they are reading and how often. You can also write questions and comments which the teacher will respond to in due course.

KNOWING NUMBER FACTS



- This term, we will be continuing with the weekly 'Knowing Number Facts' tests. Children are given a set of number facts to learn each week and their attainment is recorded on a class chart. Please support the children in learning these at home. New facts will be issued for testing the following week.

HOME LEARNING



- Children will be set a MyMaths task and reading comprehension activity each **Thursday** for homework. Please sign your child's homework feedback sheet in the front of their homework book and comments are welcomed. Later in the term, the children will also be receiving their Topic Grid.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PARENTS AND TEACHERS

There are a number of ways in which you can communicate with your child's teacher. These include:

- Face to face meeting on the playground at the end of the school day.
- Appointment made by contacting the school office.
- Comment in reading record
- Comment on parent feedback sheet in homework book
- Emailing the teacher (teacher's email addresses are available on the school website)

Please note, urgent information must always be telephoned to the school office.

LIBRARY BOOKS (Non-Fiction)



- Children are allowed to select their own book although advice is given if a book seems unsuitable. Please encourage your child to look after their library book. There will be a charge if the book is lost.

PENCIL CASES



- In each classroom, essential stationery is provided for the use of pupils. We therefore ask that pencil cases brought in from home are small enough to fit into your child's tray for easy storage and that they contain only a spare pencil, handwriting pen, rubber and sharpener.

WATER BOTTLES



- Children are expected to bring a small, named bottle of water into school. However, we must stress this can be water only and any bottles must be taken home daily for reasons of hygiene. Please bring in the filled bottle each morning.

P.E. KIT



- Fully labelled kit must be brought into school in a suitably named bag on a Monday. It will then be left in school all week and taken home on a Friday for washing. Year 6 PE slots are on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Children should have their kit in school every day as there may be additional PE slots during the week.

SUNNY WEATHER



- In sunny weather, children are permitted to bring a suitable hat to wear when they are outside.
- Due to health and safety reasons, sunscreen should not be brought into school. There are many all-day sunscreens available which we would advise you to apply to your child before they come to school.

Dates for Your Diary Autumn Term

September

- w/c 11th - Year 6 Go to Manor
- 13th - PTA Meeting at Junior School 7:30pm
- 18th - Club letters sent to parents
- 19th - Photographs
- 20th - Curriculum Information Evening
- w/c 25th - Clubs Start
- 29th - Year 6 Sharing Assembly re Manor 9:00am

October

- 6th - 5 Maple Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- 13th - 3 Larch Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- 13th - PTA Junior School Disco
- w/c 16th - Maths Week
- 19th - Harvest Assembly (children only) 9:00am
- 20th - Inset Day (children not in school)
- w/c 23rd - HALF TERM
- 30th - Children return from HALF TERM

November

- 10th - 5 Pine Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- w/c 13th - Parliament Week
- 17th - Children in Need
- 24th - 3 Ash Sharing Assembly 9:00am
- w/c 27th - Clubs Finish
- 30th - Open Morning for prospective parents whose children join in September 2018 - 9:15-10:15am
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December

- 5th - Parents Evening 5:00pm – 8:00pm
- 6th - Parents Evening 3:30pm – 6:00pm
- 7th - Year 4 Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal to Years 3, 5 & 6 at 2:00pm
- 8th - Year 4 Christmas Production Dress Rehearsal to Infant School at 2.00pm
- 8th - PTA Christmas Fair
- 11th - Year 4 Christmas Production to Parents at 6:00pm
- 12th - Year 4 Christmas Production to Parents at 6:00pm
- 13th - Christmas Lunch
- 15th - Christmas Jumper Day
- 19th - Last Day of Term, School Finishes at 2:00pm

