## **Year 6 Curriculum Update**

September 2023

**Values: Quality and Gratitude** 



It has certainly been an extremely exciting start to the term and I am delighted with the way that the children have settled in to Year 6. It was particularly great to see the way that they represented the school and took everything in their stride during our time with Prince William and Princess Catherine. I am confident that it is a day that they will never forget.

## "A World of Bright Ideas" & Enterprise

We are well on our way with our first theme of the year, which focuses on the history of inventions and I am looking forward to seeing what the children have chosen to research for their homework. In the next few weeks, we will be looking at the role of patenting and copyright and how this affects businesses.

Our Enterprise project runs throughout the year and gives the children the opportunity to put their own design and creative skills to the test as they become "young entrepreneurs". This year the children have applied to be part of a specific group, focusing on developing different aspects of design and technology skills: textiles, construction and food technology/cooking. As well as learning what makes a successful business, the children will also have the chance to find out how some local businesses have adapted to the challenges of the past few years, either through visits to companies, visitors to school or through the use of technology such as Zoom and Teams. More information about this exciting project will follow in the next few weeks.

## Homework & 40 reads

You should have been given an outline of how homework is set from the children last week but please do ask if you haven't received the letter.

I have spoken to the class about regularly using Spelling Shed and TT Rockstars but, of course, if they prefer to learn their spellings and tables in more traditional ways then that's fine too. Please just let me know so that I don't chase them

Reading diaries will be collected in every Thursday and the children know that they need to be completing these independently. Please check over the next few weeks that your child is getting into the habit of writing a sentence or two straight after they have read.

## **Dates for the diary**

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sept - Visit to Madley Plants (am)

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Oct - Year 6 Class Assembly (am)

23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - Bikeability sessions (a Parentmail will be sent in the next few weeks)

Please let the office know if you have any concerns or queries that I can help you with, and I will contact you as soon as I can. May I also ask that you inform the office of any visits to High Schools that your child is attending so that I can plan these into the weeks ahead.

Kind regards, Mrs Lacey & the Year 6 Team