

Newsletter

Year 6 – Butterfly Lions
Friday 5th September 2025

(newsletters can be viewed on our website every week)

Dear parents/carers,

I hope you had a lovely summer holiday and that your child is excited about starting Year 6. This is a very important and exciting year and I am really looking forward to working together. We will aim to enjoy a wide range of learning opportunities, develop independence, prepare for secondary school, and of course, make lots of lasting memories.

We would also like to let you know that Mrs J is currently away from school due to a family bereavement. Our thoughts are very much with her at this difficult time. In the meantime, I will be teaching Year 6 and ensuring that the children continue with their learning smoothly and successfully.

This week we spent time getting to know each other, shared our summer highlights in short writing activities, agreed on our class rules and started thinking about our goals for the year ahead. From tomorrow we will begin following our formal timetable.

In **English** our focus text will be *Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare. We will use this as inspiration for developing our descriptive writing, improving sentence structure and exploring themes such as love and loyalty. We will also revise key grammar skills and practise writing across a range of genres, preparing for the expectations of Year 6.

In **Spelling** we will continue to follow the Read Write Inc. spelling programme, focusing on a different spelling rule each week. Spellings will be sent home in the newsletter and tested every Thursday. The spellings for this week are: accommodate, accompany, according, achieve and aggressive.

In **Reciprocal Reading** we will explore a variety of both fiction and non-fiction texts throughout the year.

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible. Reading journals will be checked every Friday morning during our reading for pleasure session. Children need to read at least 3 times a week to earn a reading token.

In **Maths** we will begin with place value, focusing on numbers up to 10 million and exploring how to represent, compare, and round them. We will also continue working hard on times tables recall, particularly the multiplication facts up to 12×12 , as these are vital for fluency in Year 6. Please encourage your child to use TT Rockstars at home.

In **Science** we will learn about Evolution and Inheritance. In **RE** we will begin our unit on Christianity, exploring questions about faith and commitment.

PE day is Friday. Please ensure children come to school in their PE kits on these days.

Homework will alternate each week with MyMaths and a comprehension. It will be marked in class on a Friday morning.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Flanagan