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# Welcome to Hyde!

Term 1

Dear Hyde Class Parents,

Welcome back, I hope you have all had a brilliant Summer and managed to have some quality family time or just simply some time to yourself!

Well, it is your final year at Primary school, we are going to make it the best possible year! There are a lot of different experiences throughout Year 6 but we will experience it together as one the whole way through.

Just a reminder of the timings of the school day:

- 8:35 am Gates open
- 8:40 am School doors open
- 8:45 am Lessons start
- 3:10 pm Gates open
- 3:15 pm Collection time

## Curriculum

In **English**, we will be using text-based writing and exploring the book '**Arthur – High King of Britain by Michael Morpurgo**' to inspire a flashback narrative, diary/recount and an argument.

**Mathematics** this term focuses on number bonds to 100 and 1000, as well as place value up to 10 million.

Our **topic** this term is **Geography** based and is gaining an understanding of '**Land Use**' and how land is used in different ways all around the country. We will be exploring the economic side of land and how it can boost the economy.

**Science** focuses on '**Evolution and Inheritance**'. During Science we will be exploring who Charles Darwin and Mary Anning were and what scientific ideas they explored that we use today. We will also be looking at inheritance and what characteristics we inherit and how it works.

Alongside these exciting lessons and subjects, we will also be exploring new ideas in RE (people of God - Christianity), Music, Art (Street Art/Graffiti), Computing (Systems and networks), MFL, PE (Netball and Rugby) and PHSE (Health and Wellbeing).

## Reading

Please ensure your child brings in their **Reading Record** and current reading book to school **every day** as this will enable us to monitor your child's reading development and progress throughout the term and year. To encourage reading at home, we will also be awarding two Dojo points each day to any child that has read at home and has had their reading record signed. We will still be using accelerated reader and will do our star reader quizzes on return to school to determine your child's new ZPD score. To encourage the love of reading, children can read a book from home as well as their schoolbook. If they complete a book at home, we will always look to see if there is an accelerated reader quiz to go with it. In year 6, the ownership is on the children, they will choose their own schoolbook from the library within their ZPD score range.

## Physical Education (P.E)

This term **PE** will be on a **Monday** afternoon and **Wednesday morning (swimming)**, we will be working on Netball and Rugby on Mondays and Swimming on a Wednesday, this will consist of 10 swimming sessions. Please ensure your child has

a complete P.E. kit (white T-shirt and blue/black shorts) in school suitable for both indoor and outdoor PE i.e. tracksuit bottoms. As items of clothing are regularly 'misplaced', please ensure each item of clothing is clearly labelled. Please **ensure children have a PE kit in school all week** as there may be times when PE kit is required on non-PE days, it also helps towards any clubs children do if they forget their clothes for a club.

## Homework

Homework will still be set on **Friday** and is due in the following **Wednesday**. Each child will receive Maths (Sumdog), English and spellings each week. Spelling tests will be on a Friday.

## Class Dojo

I look forward to continuing to share news and photographs with you over the year through our class page.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions at all.

Yours sincerely,

*Mr Shaw (Class Teacher), Mrs Parnell (1:1) and Miss Baker (1:1).*

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