

# Welcome to Year 6

## 6JD Class Profile

### Meet the Year 6 Team

#### Teachers



Mr Driver



Miss Banks



Mr Scurr (Additional Maths Teacher)



Mrs Gosling (Student Teacher/HLTA)

#### Learning Support Staff



Mrs Moore



Mrs Gilbert

#### Homework:

Daily Reading  
Times Table Rockstars

Mathletics  
Minimum of 30 minutes by Sunday  
7:00pm

Dear Parents

I am Mr Driver, your child's class teacher next year.

Welcome to Year 6!

Welcome back to a great new year ahead in Year 6; the final year in Primary school for your children. It will be their busiest year yet, but we aim to give them lots of fun along the way! As you know, we encourage the children to become increasingly independent by bringing themselves to school and organising their own belongings and equipment. This year will all be about preparing them for life at secondary school. We will encourage them to become reflective and resilient learners and expect them to uphold school values at all times. We are confident that they will be super role models to the rest of the school.

Please contact us via enquires should you need to discuss anything; we cannot discuss issues at the classroom door in the mornings, as we will be busy settling our classes.

The children should enter the classroom via the two outside Y6 classroom doors. Usually the classroom doors will be open from 8.30am so that the children are settled for registration at 8.45am. At the end of the school day, the children will exit their classrooms from the same outside doors at 3.15pm.

**A little bit about me:** Hi 6JD. You all know me pretty well by now and I am really looking forward to welcoming you to my class in September. We are going to work hard and have a lot of fun along the way. I have a massive passion for Music and Theatre, particularly making Shakespeare accessible to children, but you may not know that I am also a keen hockey player, representing the Towcester Cobras Men's team as well as coaching the juniors during the week. I also enjoy long walks with my gorgeous Spoodle, Sula! My favourite subjects to teach are Music, Drama, Reading, Writing, and Science. I can't wait for your Year 6 adventure to begin – it will be the BEST YEAR EVER!

**What to expect in Year 6:** We have some fantastic trips planned, but the best trip of all of course is our residential in Cornwall! Our exciting topics include WWI & WWII, Mountains, Evolution, Shakespeare and Enterprise Week. There are many opportunities to try something new, step out of your comfort zone, achieve and have an absolute blast along the way!

**What we expect from you:** Be organised and independent; prepare items required for school the night before. We expect you to get a good night's sleep and arrive on time at the start of each day. Complete all class work within the week and use additional time effectively. Ensure homework is completed & handed in on time. We expect 100% commitment to learning and our Year 6 should always set a good example to the rest of the school. Reach for the stars!

**What you will need to bring with you each day:** A bag, a pencil case and a reading book; all items named please. PE kit must consist of black shorts/joggers/leggings with a plain, white t-shirt and trainers. Look smart: tie on; shirt tucked in; and school shoes. Lastly, you need to bring in some energy, enthusiasm and a smile!

**What you can do to get ready over the summer break:** Spellings, times tables (get on TTRockstars) and read! Read lots; read anything and everything. Have a lovely time with your families, explore and try to learn something new every day!

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### **Home tasks for Year 6**

If you would like to do a few things to prepare your child for the year ahead then we have put together a few ideas to help you. As always please do not feel pressured into doing these but it may be something that you feel will help as the new school year approaches.

Below are a few suggestions of areas that you could be working on over the summer break to consolidate the children's learning in Year 5 and ensure that they feel ready for Year 6.

### **Maths**

We suggest that you use Times Table Rock Stars throughout the summer break as you should already to know them all off by heart. Go for it!

### **Reading**

Escape into a book or 10! We also feel that it is essential that you read as much as possible over the summer break, as this will give you so many wonderful ideas that you can incorporate into your own writing. You could always sign up to the Summer Reading Challenge at Towcester Library. If you get stuck for ideas of what to read next, have a look at the Year 5/6 recommended reading list on our school website! <https://www.nicholashawksmooracademy.com/year-groups/year-6/>

### **Spellings**

We think it would be helpful with your preparations for Year 6 if you were to regularly have a look at the year 5/6 spellings lists. You can access Common Exception Spellings on our school website in the Year 6 area. Try and learn the trickier spellings in this list and write down any great new words that you come across in your reading. <https://www.nicholashawksmooracademy.com/year-groups/year-6/>

### **Health & Wellbeing**

In our school, we use a range of resources to discuss our own lives and our understanding of others. BBC Bitesize has a wide variety of resources and videos to use as discussion topics focussing on emotional wellbeing, self-awareness, respecting differences and more.

Follow the link below and scroll down to the Mental Health and Wellbeing section.  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zbhy4wx>

Finally, we would like to wish you all well and hope that you all have a lovely summer and some well-deserved family time. We can't wait to see you all in September.