



# Weston Mill Community Primary Academy



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## Information about Year 6 for parents:

### J.K Rowling Class (Miss Morgan) and Tom Fletcher Class (Mrs Wallace)

Welcome to Year 6! This is a very important year for Year 6 and it is vital that homework and home tasks, as well as regular reading at home are completed to ensure your child has the best possible opportunity to achieve well in their SATs in May. We have a busy but exciting year ahead and our aim is to ensure that every Year 6 child will be successful.

#### Victorian Britain

Our theme this term in Year 6 is “Victorian Britain” where we will be learning about the period in our history in which Queen Victoria ruled in Britain. We will focus on important dates, events and people within this period including Charles Dickens as we study his famous novel – Oliver Twist and Charles Darwin as we explore his Theory of Evolution.

#### The school day

The school is open from 8:45am for pupils to come in and complete morning activities. The school day officially starts at 8:55am and by this time all pupils should be in class for the register. Some children are invited to Learning Café every day from 8.00am. At the end of the day, children will be taken down to the playground to meet their parent/carer unless they have a signed permission slip to walk home on their own. If you are not collecting your child and they do not have signed permission to walk home, please ensure that you inform the office, otherwise this can delay the collection as we will need to call to confirm the change in collection.

#### Water

Please can you ensure your child has a water bottle in school each day. Any clear sports top bottle will be fine.

#### PE kit

Your child's PE kit should always be in school as we do not have a particular day for PE and it will change week-by-week. Please ensure that all items of the PE kit are clearly named. This should include: a plain white t-shirt, plain navy or black shorts and trainers. Children may also wear a plain navy or black tracksuit in the winter. Earrings are not permitted for PE and should be taken out. If your child cannot take them out for any reason they will not be able to participate in PE until a time that they can. We suggest sending your child with an envelope/small bag to put them in to keep them safe while doing PE. If your child wears earrings to school and cannot take them out themselves please do this for them before they come into school.

**Reading**

Children have the opportunity to read in school every day and we ask that you please listen to them read as much as possible at home. We encourage Year 6 children to be independent and take ownership of their learning and so it is your child's responsibility to change their reading book at lunchtimes. You can use their school planner to indicate when they have read and to make any comments. Please ensure that your child has their reading book and school planner in their school bag every day. School planners will be checked by an adult in school every Friday.

**Homework and spellings**

Homework will consist of spellings, which are given out on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday; times tables will also be tested every Friday, please ensure you work on these with your child at home too. They will also have a piece of English and Maths to be completed in their revision books. Please aim to spend at least 20 minutes per week completing these pages.

**Any problems or concerns**

Please feel free to come and see us before or after school if you have any questions or concerns. Most things can usually be sorted out pretty easily. If you need a longer time to discuss something, then it would be best to speak to us to arrange a convenient time.

We look forward to a happy, busy and exciting year.

Miss Morgan and Mrs Wallace  
Year 6 Teachers