



# Harvey Road School

## Class 6

### Summer 2019

#### **Welcome back!**

Enclosed within this brochure you will find details about what you child will be learning in all the different areas of the curriculum this term.

#### **Essential information**

We hope you find the information below useful, please don't hesitate to pop in any day after school if you have any other questions.

#### Homework

Homework will be set on a Friday and a Monday

Friday's homework – My Maths / Grammar – completed by Tuesday

Monday's homework – comprehension completed by Friday

As it is an important term, there may be occasions where other homework is sent home to consolidate your child's learning for that week.

It is essential that you hear your child read regularly (at least several times each week) and you sign to show you have heard your child read in their homework diary. This will greatly improve their reading comprehension. Children who are not reading on a regular basis at home will be asked to read during break times. If your child has a problem with the homework please make a note on the work or come in and see us.

There will be a spelling test and arithmetic tests during the week.

#### P.E.

Games kit will be required on Thursday and Friday. Please ensure that they have trainers in school as we will be outside as well as inside. Swimming kits will be needed from after half term. We hope to arrange some swimming lessons at Rickmansworth School as well.

#### Teaching

Mrs Telfer – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Mrs Dunn – Tuesday and Wednesday

Best wishes,

Mrs Telfer, Mrs Dunn and Miss Lycett

## **English**

The children will continue to compare the work of significant children's authors, in fiction and poetry, looking at different author's treatment of the same issue. They will be studying the perspective of the author and writing the same texts from different points of view. This will link in with discussions and debates within the class and in groups.

During lessons on reading comprehension, they will be answering questions on authorial intent, inference and deduction. Children will need to practice reading regularly to an adult and independently to improve their skills in this most important area. When reading non-fiction texts we'll be looking at explanations and non-chronological reports linked to other areas like history and RE.

Other essential areas of study will include handwriting and presentation, spelling, vocabulary, grammar and punctuation.

## **Maths**

The children will be identifying and working with numbers up to 10 000 000 and will be able to determine the value of each digit. They will also be using negative numbers and calculating intervals across zero. They will apply this knowledge to solve a range of mathematical problems. They will use all four number operations to solve multi-step maths problems involving money, measurement or 'real life'. Number operations will include completing long multiplication and long division using multi-digit numbers.

Mental calculations will be taught regularly and will include mixed operations and large numbers. They will be encouraged to estimate so as to check their answers are realistic. Fractions, decimals and percentages will be linked to help show how they relate to each other, encouraging children's flexibility when solving mathematical tasks. Children will compare and order fractions of different denominations. They will also be taught to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. Pupils will be taught to identify the place value of decimals up to three places. Multiplying and dividing whole numbers and decimals by 10, 100, 1000 will also be practiced.

## **Science**

The principal focus will continue to encourage and enable pupils to develop a deeper understanding of a wide range of scientific ideas. They will be selecting the most appropriate methods of scientific enquiry and carrying out practical investigations to answer science questions. This term the children will be studying 'Evolution and Inheritance' and SRE

## **History/Geography**

In History the children will be completing their topic on 'Crime and Punishment' through the ages from the Romans to present day to see how things have changed and to identify any trends. In Geography they will be investigating the UK. This will include aspects of both human and physical geography.

## **D&T**

This term children will be studying different structures, including towers and bridges and studying what makes a structure strong. They will design and make a structure, built for a particular purpose. They will test it out and discuss possible ways in which it could be improved.

## **Art**

The children will be studying printing and will focus on the artist William Morris; creating some of their own prints in his style.

## **Music**

The children will be learning about beat, pitch and harmony and will have the opportunity to see music as a universal language. Our main highlight this term is preparing for the summer production and class 6 will have the opportunity to act, sing, dance and stage manage. They will be developing their ability to sing confidently & expressively with the attention to dynamics & phrasing, with good intonation and a sense of occasion.

## **PE**

Athletics – we will be practising appropriate techniques for a range of events including running, throwing (javelin and different sized balls) and various jumps. In games we will be playing rounders, developing bowling, fielding and striking skills. Swimming lessons will begin after half term.

## **ICT**

The children will develop an understanding of how digital music is used in sound recording to present ideas and influence mood. They will use music creation software to produce a piece of music to link to a curriculum theme. They will then review and refine the piece.

## **RE**

We will be looking at Hindu, Christian and Buddhist ideas of God and explaining their own ideas about God. We will be trying to explain what is involved for Christians, Hindus and Buddhists in terms of belief and practice.

## **PHSE**

Year 6 children will be focusing on Sex and Relationship Education (there will be a Parents' meeting on this subject later in the term). 'Moving On' and Careers are also to be covered this term.

## **Modern Foreign Language**

The children will consolidate and extend their knowledge of French vocabulary and grammar. They will be focusing on topics related to 'Shopping' a 'French Café' and 'holidays'. They will also continue to write new vocabulary in their 'French Vocabulary' books and will write in sentences so as to improve their knowledge of useful phrases, sentences and how to write them down.

## Special Dates for the Term

- PSHE 'Sex Education and relationships'- Parents meeting 1st May at 2.45pm
- SATs Week 13<sup>th</sup> May – 17<sup>th</sup> May
- Sports Day 24<sup>th</sup> May
- The Residential School trip to Skern Lodge 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> June
- Swimming Gala 12<sup>th</sup> July
- KS2 Performance 9<sup>th</sup> July and 10<sup>th</sup> July
- Year 6 leavers day out and party – 18<sup>th</sup> July
- Leavers Assembly 10am 19<sup>th</sup> July