



### A HUGE WELL DONE!



We want to begin with a huge well done to Year 6; this half term has been full of new and exciting challenges and you have all shown huge amounts of determination and resilience with whatever has come your way. The work you have produced has been of an excellent standard – your maturity and hard work has been evident. We are very proud of you all and we are excited to see the progress you all continue to make in the run up to your SATS and secondary school transition.

To the parents of Year 6, thank you for your continued support this half term. We appreciate you have additional home and work responsibilities, and your support of your children (including the completion of weekly homework) has not gone unnoticed and is very much appreciated.



On Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February, Year 6 children will return to having 2 PE lessons per week – Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure children come into school wearing the correct kit:

- Black/navy jogging trousers or leggings
- White polo shirt or plain white T-shirt
- School jumper
- Black trainers

### SCHOLASTIC READING PRO

At Our Lady of the Rosary, we consider reading to be one of the most important skills that our children learn; it is the key to unlocking the world, impacting on all areas of your child's learning and development. We pledge to ensure your child reads everyday through a range of reading rich experiences; we ask for your support in ensuring your child reads for 10 minutes a day at home, to maximise you're their reading progress!

At home, your child will access an e-book on Scholastic Reading Pro Library. Their access will be monitored by the class teacher on a weekly basis, with the expectation that pupils access this at home for 10 minutes a day. When your child has finished reading the book, they can click the button at the top of the screen to take the quiz. This is not an option on all e-books but will be for most. More information about Scholastic Reading Pro can be found on our school website. *Scholastic Reading Pro can be accessed by following the link using this QR code:*



### EARLY BIRDS BOOK CLUB



*This is the perfect opportunity for every child to maximise their reading time in a relaxed environment. Pupils will also receive a free breakfast treat!*

We are excited to announce our new initiative, Early Birds Book Club! This is an opportunity for pupils to access an independent reading for pleasure time. This is a relaxed reading time, where a love of reading for pleasure is promoted! Children will also be provided with a snack to enjoy during this time.

## ATTENDANCE

Group	Presents	AEA	Authorised Absences	Unauthorised Absences	Possible	% Attend
Mrs Bowdler	91.5	1.7	6.1	0.6	100.0	93.2
Mrs Freer	89.5	1.1	7.3	2.2	100.0	90.5

As you know, this year is an incredibly important one for your child as they will be sitting the National SATs tests in May. For children to achieve properly in Year 6, it is vital that they are in school every day to enable good learning and progress to be made. Regular attendance will ensure that all of our pupils have the greatest opportunity to achieve nationally expected standards (or indeed at greater depth in these standards) in order to prepare them to be successful with the next phase of their education at secondary school.

We ask that parents and carers do not arrange for medical and dental appointments in school time wherever possible. When this is unavoidable, then your child should return to school or come to school first before being collected for the appointment. Please be aware that the school register is taken twice a day, so your child will receive an attendance mark in the morning and in the afternoon.

Please note no holidays will be authorised for any reason for any of our Year 6 children during SATS week which is 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022 to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Lots of children were interested in becoming a member of the newly-formed school council this half term. Individuals voted for their peers and our successful candidates were: Carl, Sadie, Poppy and Ryan. Well done; we look forward to seeing the decisions you help to make this year!



## WEEKLY CELEBRATIONS!



We have recently launched our 'Weekly Celebration Awards' which will take part throughout the whole school! Each class teacher will choose two pupils to receive a certificate: a Special Award – to celebrate general achievements in class and Maths Award - to celebrate maths achievements in class. This will be based on their achievements that week. On Friday afternoons, each class will receive their certificates and have access to a video to share with the class.

The class with the best attendance will also receive a bag of treats.

## TERM HIGHLIGHTS

This term has been full of hard work! In Writing, we have written newspaper reports and poems. In Maths, we have worked on statistics, algebra and percentages! In RE, we learnt more the Bible and its significance. In Science, we have developed our knowledge of electricity, whilst in Geography we have studied North America in great detail. In Computing, we continue to explore coding and game design and in Spanish we have explored the unit 'Myself and Others'. We are looking forward to another half term full of exciting new learning opportunities.

