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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school. We hope you and your family have had an enjoyable and restful summer. We have been really impressed with the way your children have settled into Year 6, showing that they are ready for the responsibilities and challenges this academic year.

Please keep this letter to refer to, but if you have any further questions, please email during school hours at: michele.hughes@Cuddington.thpt.org.uk or alexander.farley@Cuddington.thpt.org.uk

Curriculum for this half term

This half term in English, we will be exploring the theme of **Journeys and Migration** through two fantastic texts: **The Arrival** by Shaun Tan and **Windrush Child** by Benjamin Zephaniah. In guided reading, we will enjoy reading our class r book **Holes** by Louis Sachar.

This year we are trialling a two-week timetable, giving us the opportunity to spend more time investigating our topics within the foundation subjects. In History, we will be learning about the **Industrial Revolution** and exploring how it transformed life in Victorian Britain. The children will investigate the significant events and developments of this period and their impact on society. In Science, we will be learning about **light**, discovering how we see, how shadows are formed, and how light behaves.

PE

For this half term only, PE lessons will take place on **Tuesday mornings** and Thursday afternoons. This is because we are delighted to be able to offer swimming sessions at Linden Bridge School. On Tuesdays, children will take part in swimming and will need to **bring a named swimming costume or trunks, swimming hat, goggles and a towel in a separate waterproof bag.**

Our second PE session will take place on **Thursdays**, when children will be developing their skills through football. As these sessions are weather dependent, please ensure that your child comes to school wearing an appropriate PE kit suitable for both indoor and outdoor activities. Children will be taking part in vigorous physical exercise, so a full PE kit is required. As with all PE lessons, earrings must be removed and long hair tied back. If your child is unable to participate in PE, please inform us in writing. Children may also wish to bring deodorant; however, we kindly ask that this is roll-on rather than spray.



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Home Learning

English, spelling and maths homework will be sent home on a **Friday** each week and is due to be returned by the following **Wednesday**. In preparation for the expectations of high school, we hope you will encourage your child to do their best to complete the set tasks, but if your child has any difficulty, do write a note to let me know so we can follow this up in class. Home Learning is expected to last no more than 1 hour. As well as the maths activity, we would encourage the children to use TT Rockstars online for half an hour each week to improve their times tables.

Alongside their weekly home learning, children will be given a **Homework Choice Menu** packed with engaging activities. We would love to see each child complete three activities during the half term. Those who do so will earn a **Sapphire Gems** in recognition of their approach to adventurous learning, with their willingness to extend their knowledge beyond the classroom through creativity, independence and personal initiative.

Spellings

Each week the children will be given a list of 10 words to learn as part of their homework. The children will be learning spelling rules and patterns in their spelling sessions in class, so it is important that the spelling words are practised ready for their weekly spelling test each week. Spellings will be given on a Friday, and the spelling test will take place on the following Friday.

Reading

Below is a list of 6 books taken from the recommended reading list for Year 6. To encourage all children to read across a range of books these are some suggestions of texts which could be read independently or can be read to the children at home.

Each half term, I will suggest different books for the children to read. If you would like more support in choosing reading books for your child, please do let me know.

Suggested books for this half term:

War Horse
We are Britain!
The Red Tree
Children of Winter
Blitz Boys
Once

Michael Morpurgo
Benjamin Zephaniah
Shaun Tan
Doherty, Berlie
Linda Newberry
Morris Gleitzman



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Reading Records

Hearing your child read is vital to support their progress and enhance their language development. In Year 6 children are expected to read every night for at least 20 minutes. Please listen to your child read and ask questions to ensure they understand what they are reading and can comment on the book expressing their opinions and reasons. Please sign your child's reading record when you have listened to them read. Records are expected to be handed in daily.

Communications with Parents

If you have any questions or would like to discuss something with us, then please email or call the school office to arrange a telephone appointment.

We look forward to working with you and your children again this academic year.

Mr Farley and Mrs Hughes