

Year 6 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome to Y6! We have had a fantastic couple of weeks getting to know the children and starting to learn about WW1. There are lots of important dates coming up, which are listed on this newsletter. Just a reminder, that there are a number of secondary school open days in the next couple of weeks. We would really encourage you and your child to go and visit any secondary schools you are thinking of applying to. Once you have decided where to apply, you will need to do so via the Northamptonshire County Council website or at your local library. If you would like any assistance with this, or have any questions or queries about anything, please come and speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Miss Morris, Mrs Norris and Mr Southwell

Fallen Fields



Our new topic is Fallen Fields. Over the course of the topic, we will be looking at WW1 and life in the trenches. Our class story is Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo.

On the reverse of this newsletter, we have attached a selection of home learning ideas all to do with our topic. Although these are not compulsory, we would encourage you to complete at least one with your child, over the course of the term.

Homework

Homework is handed out on a Friday and must be returned the following Wednesday.



Uniform and P.E. Kit



At Exeter, we want our children to look smart, be ready to learn and represent our school with pride. We therefore ask that children come dressed in the correct uniform:

- A blue jumper or cardigan **with the Exeter logo**
- A red or white polo shirt
- **Grey** trousers, skirt or pinafore (**not leggings**)
- Black shoes **not trainers**

Children also need to be correctly dressed for P.E.:

- Red t-shirt **with the Exeter logo**
- Black or navy jogging bottoms or shorts (**not leggings**)
- Trainers or plimsolls.

All items of uniform can be purchased from the school office and we have regular second hand uniform sales.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 10th September - Secondary school applications open

Wednesday 11th September - After school interventions commence.

Wednesday 25th - Friday 27th September: Y5/6 Residential

Tuesday 1st October: Trip to Corby War Memorial

Monday 14th October: Y6 SATS Parent Meeting (more details to follow).

Friday 25th October: School finishes for half-term.

Thursday 31st October: Deadline for secondary school applications.

Tuesday 5th November: Children return to school.

The Reading Pledge



Did you know that children who read regularly at home are more likely to earn more money when they're older and (more importantly) be happier?! We are asking all families to take 'the reading pledge'; agree to read together for 10-20 minutes a day. When you have read together, remember to sign their reading bookmark so they can be in with a chance of winning a small prize for their efforts! **P.E.**

P.E. is an essential part of the national curriculum. Each class has P.E. twice a week. P.E. kit must be labelled with your child's name. Each class has two dedicated P.E. lessons a week with a specialist teacher. We encourage you to keep your child's P.E. kit in school all week, as P.E. days may change at short notice.