

## Christ the King Year 6 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Learning together in faith, hope and love.



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year. We, the Year 6 Team, are incredibly excited for the year ahead. We are really looking forward to getting to know your children and yourselves. We are always around at the end of the school day so please do come past and introduce yourselves to us. Working in the Year 6 Team this year is: Mrs Ayton, Mr Cooper, Mrs Evans, Mr Hancox and Mrs Lane.

It is hard to believe that this time next year, they will be starting their secondary schools. Therefore, it is vital that we work together this year to ensure that we prepare them as much as we can for their transition to secondary. This is both academically and pastorally. An important part of this year will be PSHE and promoting wellbeing. We will continue to use Trick Box, journaling and dedicated PSHE lessons

We will be running a **home learning club every morning at 08:10am** in each Year 6 classroom. The doors will be open and children can come in and independently get on with their home learning. Please note, this is dependent upon staffing and we will notify you on Dojo's if we are unable to run it on that day. If your child struggles to complete home learning at home or requires a bit of extra support, please do encourage them to be independent and come into school early and ask for help. Encouraging independence will help prepare them for secondary school.

Our first topic this year is Mary's birthday. Over the rest of the term we will also be looking at Laudato Si', which is a message from Pope Francis about 'Care in the Common Home'. Other cross-curricular learning will be debating whether graffiti is art or vandalism. We will look at the art work of Banksy and create our own stencils to create our own graffiti style art. We will also be learning the impacts of climate change and human behaviour on the future of the Arctic and Antarctica.

Please remember that your children's attendance and punctuality is paramount, we start teaching at <u>8:30am</u>; this is the time that we expect <u>all children</u> to be in our classrooms. Our classroom doors will close at 8:40am. Remember, Year 6 children can walk to and from school, we will need a signed letter giving permission. If your child is cycling, a helmet is required. However, if a police alert is received, a text will be sent to you. It is your responsibility to inform us that your child is still allowed to leave unattended.

Communication between us and yourselves is vital. We will be using Dojo's this year, allowing us to message you and you can also message us. We will regularly update the 'class story' with lots of photos and videos. Please check the app regularly and see what your child is earning points for. If you are not connected to Dojos, notify us and we will sort this for you.

If you ever have any worries or concerns, you are welcome to speak to us outside of the classroom at the end of a school day. Alternatively, if you require a longer conversation, you can request a phone call or email us.

We look forward to meeting you all and working together to provide the best education possible for the children.

Kind Regards,

Year 6 Team (Mrs Ayton and Mr Cooper)

## **Key Dates**

22nd September 2:30pm Meet the Teacher

18th October Individual Pupil Photos

18th & 20th October Face to face Parent Teacher Consultations

24th—28th October Half term

31st October School Closed—INSET day and Secondary School

application deadline

1st November Return to school

## Year 6 weekly timetable

## **Physical Education**

This year, children need to come into school wearing their PE kit on a **Thursday and Friday**. We recommend children bring in roll on deodorant.

