

Helping Your Child At Home

For the remainder of Year 6 regular homework will be given out and expected back each week. This will include times, particular for Maths, when a lesson will be delivered one day, homework given out, and then expected in for the next day/ day after in order to assure children have understood the work and are able to move on.

Please encourage your child to read daily – the text does not necessarily have to be their school reading book (reading something is better than not reading anything at all!). Also, please encourage your child to read aloud at least every other day and ask them questions about what they are reading to help their comprehension.

Thank you for your continued support. Please feel free to contact me at school at anytime. There are lot of exciting things to look forward to during this final term and I hope you will be able to join us for as many as possible.

Dates To Remember

- Monday 6th April to Friday 24th April - Easter Holidays
- Friday 8th May - May Bank Holiday
- Wednesday 20th May - Potential Holes Theatre Trip
- Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May - Half Term
- Further dates TBC
- Thursday 16th July - School closes for Summer Holidays

Berrybrook Primary School



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Year 6

English

In English this term we are going to study different genres of fiction and non-fiction, with work based around: 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas,' by John Boyne – please **do not** encourage them to watch the film before reading the book as this could spoil their experience. We will provide the opportunity for pupils to watch the film after we have completed the book (with parental consent).



In addition, we will be creating more of a focus on writing to provide all pupils with opportunities to develop skills across different genres.

Even though, SATs are no longer happening this year, we will continue to learn about spelling, punctuation and grammar to ensure all pupils head to secondary school with the skills they need.

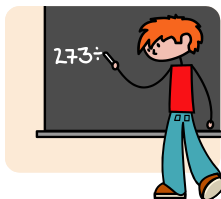
At home, you can help your child by **listening to them read** and discussing the story afterwards (e.g. what happened, what they thought of the story, what characters may have been feeling). Also you can encourage them to access www.myon.co.uk where they will be able to access a range of online reading materials which have been tailored to their individual interests and reading age.

Mathematics

During Maths this term, we will be looking at many areas and continuing to improve our knowledge of mathematical techniques. Amongst other things, we will be looking at using and applying mathematics; counting and understanding numbers; knowledge and understanding number facts; solving word problems.

In addition to this, each week we will practice our times tables which are very beneficial in many areas of our Maths work.

As a class, we will be focusing upon our knowledge and application of arithmetic skills as well as studying word problems across the Maths curriculum. We will focus on figuring out what exactly we are being asked and then apply our prior learning to solve the question.



Curriculum News

This term's Science lessons will cover both electricity where we will extend our learning from Year 4 and we will also learn about Scientists and Inventors where we will learn about scientist such as Mary Anning, Charles Darwin and Alfred Wallace. During this term, we will work on new topics as well as revisiting old ones in preparation for the transition to secondary school.

In Topic, we will study two history topics. The first will be Charles II where we will learn about local history during the Stuart period including the history of Mosely Old Hall. Then we will focus on the Second World War, researching and creating work based around the what led to the war, how different people were treated, the effect of the war on people in Britain, important and influential people and the experiences of normal, everyday people who went to war.

Throughout the term, there will be a focus on transition where pupils will learn about what to expect at secondary school and beyond. Researching different jobs and careers and hopefully having the opportunity to speak to people who are in these jobs. This topic will also cover any anxieties that people might have about leaving Berrybrook and how these could be dealt with.

Hopefully, we will return to school in time to discuss and vote on the end of year trip. Once decided, letters will be sent out, please look out for these and ensure that slips and any payment is sent back to school promptly.



Don't Forget

- Full uniform should be worn everyday, with no jewellery, except small stud earrings and a watch. False and painted nails are not to be worn in school.
- PE is every Monday afternoon where we will now be learning gymnastics.
- We will begin swimming lessons which will be every Friday, where all pupils will be required to bring their swimming kit each week.