

Heathfield Junior School
Year 6 Curriculum Bulletin
Autumn Term 2020

Welcome back, we hope you all had a pleasant and relaxing holiday.

The Heathfield Way:

'The Heathfield Way' underpins all that we do in school. We expect all members of the Heathfield community to:

- Learn and let others learn
- Respect all people and property
- Work hard and try their very best

When children follow 'The Heathfield Way' they will be awarded housepoints, which are recorded in their reading diary.

Homework:

- Maths homework will be set on a Monday and will be due in on the Friday of the same week.
- English homework will be set on a Monday and will be due in on the Friday of the same week.
- Spellings will be set on a Friday and will be due in and tested on the following Friday.
- Reading journals will be checked by the class teacher every day. We expect your child to read at home for at least 30 minutes per day. Please sign your child's journal every day and make a comment on their reading. You may also put messages for your child's teacher in the journal if you wish.

Due to the importance of year six, we would expect one hour to be a good estimate of time for the English homework and half an hour for the Maths. There will be a homework club run during lunchtimes on various days the week.

Times Tables Rock Stars:

I know that children started using TTRS before the summer holidays. Their login details are located at the front of their reading journal. We will be doing this in school but also ask that children login at home as well.

Curriculum:

We will be reading 'Kensuke's Kingdom' in English which looks at the themes of survival and friendship. In maths we will begin with place value, move onto written methods for the four operations and then focus on fractions, decimals and percentages.

Science this term is based upon adaptation, habitats, reversible and irreversible changes. Our humanities topic in Autumn 1 is the Mayan Civilization. We will be looking at hierarchy, religion, daily life and their rise and decline. Then in Autumn 2 we move onto World War 2. We will be looking at how the war affected children's lives and aspects linked to leaders, home life, power and monarchy. As part of our humanities curriculum we will be having a Mayan workshop and World War 2 Dance workshop. A letter with more details will be sent out shortly.

Walking Home Alone/Mobile Phones

We understand that some parents will wish for their Year 6 child to walk home alone. A letter has been sent regarding this. Please can the permission slip be returned as soon as possible and no later than Friday 11th September. Also you might wish for your child to have a mobile phone when walking to school. We ask that children turn off their phone and give it to their teacher to look after when entering school.

School Uniform:

At Heathfield Junior School we pride ourselves on our smart appearance. All children are expected to wear:

- Purple school sweatshirt or cardigan
- Fleece with school logo (optional/outside)
- White/purple polo shirt
- White, black or grey socks
- Black shoes
- Boys – black or grey tailored trousers
- Girls – black or grey tailored trousers/skirt (no leggings)

Please ensure all uniform and PE kit is labelled.

PE/Games:

Nautilus Class PE: Tuesday

Titanic Class PE: Wednesday or Thursday

Atlantis Class PE: Monday

Year 6 outdoor games day: Wednesday or Thursday

All children will be expected to have their kit in school all week. For PE they will need a house T-shirt and black shorts. For games they will need appropriate clothing to go outside: tracksuit, sweatshirts and trainers.

Healthy Lunch:

Please ensure that your child has a healthy and balanced packed lunch. School lunches can be provided and cost £2.20 per day. A piece of fruit will be provided at playtimes. Also please can you make sure that children come to school with a labelled reusable water bottle.

Dates for the Diary:

Parents' evenings will be held week beginning 12th October.

Osmington Bay Trip Dates: Friday 26th March to Monday 29th March.

More details to follow.

How to Contact Us:

We are always happy to see you and discuss any queries or concerns you may have.

If you need to make an appointment at any time please contact the school office via telephone 020 8894 3525 or email: info@heathfield-jun.richmond.sch.uk

We look forward to a successful year.

Kind regards

The Year 6 Team

Mrs Hill – Nautilus Class/Year Group Leader

Mr Brewer – Titanic Class

Mr Cross – Atlantic Class