



Alexandra Park Junior School

Year 6 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Our topic this term is all about being Outdoor and Adventurous.

We will be learning about rivers in Geography and living things and their habitats in Science.

To support this, we will be visiting Castleshaw to learn first-hand how the river system works.

We will be reading a selection of nature poetry by Joseph Coelho, the Just So Stories by Rudyard Kipling and a selection of recounts to help us write our own versions.

We will be creating our own outdoor sculptures, inspired by Andy Goldsworthy, in art.

In maths we will be covering a range of objectives, including place value of numbers up to 10,000,000, formal methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, common factors and multiples, and square, cube and prime numbers.

PE days:

Class 10- Tuesday and swimming on Thursday.

Class 11- Tuesday and Thursday

Class 12- Tuesday and Thursday.

The school P.E. kit is a white t-shirt, black shorts/leggings and black pumps. Trainers and black jogging pants can be worn in cold weather..

Please ensure your child has the correct kit on those days.

Residential

Our annual residential trip to Colomendy in Wales will be taking place from the 25th to 27th September and will be packed full of activities for the children to enjoy and develop their independence.

Further information will be provided for the families of the children attending nearer to the time.

Homework:

Children need to learn their spellings and timetables every day at home. They also need to read their reading book at home everyday, and we request that after reading, with your child, you log this on Boom Reader.

As a school we pay for subscriptions to TT Rockstars, Letterjoin and Spelling Shed. Please encourage your child to use these valuable learning resources at home.

School Funds

We are requesting a school fund contribution of £10 per child per term. This will pay for all educational trips and visitors to school. If there are any additional costs the school will subsidise these (with the exception of the pantomime).

Without your generous contributions we may not be able to offer all of the fantastic experiences that we hope to throughout the year.

We offer our heartfelt thanks for this and hope you continue to help us enrich your child's learning.

Other important dates

Each class will be visiting The Castleshaw Centre to support our learning about rivers.

Children should wear warm, comfortable clothes suitable for the outdoors on these days, not their school uniform.

Class 12 16th September

Class 11 17th September

Class 10 18th September

In the summer, our Year 6 children will be sitting their SATS tests. We will be holding a meeting for parents on the 14th of October to provide information about this and how you can support your child.