

Wednesday 9th December, 2020

Dear parent/carer,

Understandably this term has come with it's own challenges, however, we would like to take this opportunity to say that we are incredibly proud with how the children have responded to the changes. We would also like to say, thank you to you as parents for supporting us with Google Classroom.

Homework/Reading

Please ensure that your child is reading regularly at home. Each class has a Get Epic reading account. Teachers can see how much your child has read, which books and even if they have skipped through pages, It is a really helpful platform for checking their reading. Please go to <https://www.getepic.com/sign-in> and choose the class code for your child:

Titanium nuj7657

Platinum kwn8256

Palladium nix9843

Following changes at Get Epic - it is now only accessible between 7am and 4pm from home.

To ensure that children have free online reading resources, we have Oxford Owl accounts for each class - and it is available at any time. Please go to: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/please-log-in>

Titanium:

username - titanium20 and password Westlands20

Platinum

username - platinum2020 and password Westlands20

Palladium

username - palladium2020 and password westlands20

Homework tasks will be set on **Google Classroom**. Our class code is **5sd6aad**. There will be google forms uploaded, so that answers can be submitted and marked from the forms. Children can also complete their work as a google document and upload it for teachers, should they prefer to do this. They have had a lesson in school to ensure that they are familiar with this process and have practised submitting work.

Curriculum

Below are the topics that we will be studying in Term 3:

Subject	Term 3
English	Tomorrow's World (fiction and nonfiction - a range of texts) Descriptive writing Action narrative Diary Explanation text We will also be reading 'Mortal Engines' by Phillip Reeve in our reading sessions.

Maths	Revision Fractions Decimals Percentages Shapes Algebra Measurement
Science	Materials Properties of Materials Keeping Cool Brighter Bulbs
Computing	Coding Detect & correct errors in programs. Design & write programs to solve problems. Create our own games with coding.
Topic	Tomorrow's World Sport, leisure and tourism 1900 to present Life in the 1960's Butlins - Holidays 1970's life Life in the 1980's
R.E.	Christianity and Islam This year we are teaching RE with a whole school focus. There will be a termly whole school RE days to provide the children with rich learning opportunities.
Art and DT	Art week
French	Mes loisirs - My Hobbies Learning basic phrases, with correct pronunciation to describe where hobbies.
P.E	Social Team work Encouragement Sensitive feedback
Music	Charanga Unit 3 'A new year Carol' Benjamin Britten's Friday Afternoons: A New Year Carol.
PSHE	Dreams and goals Personal learning goals Steps to success My dream for the world Helping make a difference Recognising our achievements

PE

PE will be every **TUESDAY** for all year 6 classes and children will need to wear their **full PE kit to school**. They will **not** be able to get changed at school.

Swimming

Please ensure that children bring swimming kits to school on a **Wednesday** - following the timetable below.

Term 1 & 4	Palladium & Platinum
Term 2 & 5	Platinum & Titanium
Term 3 & 6	Titanium & Palladium

Uniform

Children should be wearing black shoes. **Black trainers are not acceptable.** An increasing number of children are wearing these to school; please ensure that your child has the correct footwear. All children should be wearing their tie to school every day as well as their blazer. We would also like to remind you that necklaces, bracelets, large bows, bangles etc. are not part of the school uniform and therefore should not be worn. Nail varnish should also be removed.

Please can you also ensure that children have the correct PE kit. Tracksuit sweatshirts and hoodies are fine - but no cropped ones please The PE kit is as follows:

- Navy blue shorts
- White t-shirt
- Black or white plimsolls for indoor PE Year R do not require a PE kit
- **Plain navy blue** tracksuit
- Black or white trainers for outdoor PE

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Burr

Assistant Headteacher

Year 6 Lead