

# YEAR 6 AUTUMN 2

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2023

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"Happy together in God's family,  
we love, grow and learn."

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school after the half term holiday.

I hope you and the children all enjoyed your time off and spent lots of time playing in autumn leaves and recovering from Peat Rigg. This will be another busy half term with the continuation of our hard work and with the preparations for Christmas including Jesse Tree assemblies, Advent preparation and the KS2 Carol Service.

This newsletter aims to inform you of the Year 6 curriculum for the forthcoming half term and any important routines and dates.

In English this half term, we will be studying *Street Child* by Berlie Doherty and *Cogheart* by Peter Bunzl as part of our Victorians topic and also looking at a Christmas advert. Through these texts and media we will be working towards writing letters, newspapers and narratives. We will have a specific grammar focus each week where we will look at specific areas of year 6 grammar. We will also continue to practise the Year 5/6 spelling words, spelling patterns and homophones.

In maths this half term we will be looking at: Fractions - comparing, ordering, using fractions with the four operations and problem solving; Geometry- position and direction, translations and reflections and Decimals: multiplication and division. We will also have a short session each week working on arithmetic skills, mental maths and times tables up to 12 x 12.

To find out more about the other curriculum areas we will be studying this half term, please refer to our knowledge organisers on our website.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,

Mrs Polzin, Mrs Robertshaw and Mrs Wood.



### Important Days

#### **Monday:**

Reading books changed

#### **Friday:**

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

Spelling Test

### Important Dates

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**  
Start of anti-bullying week  
Odd Socks Day

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**  
Year 6 SATs information meeting – 4pm via zoom

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**  
Advent Workshop – 2pm

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
Pantomime in School

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**  
Year 6 Advent Reconciliation  
Christmas Jumper Day  
Christmas Dinner Day

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
Year 6 lead Jesse Tree assembly – 9:15am

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Fair – 2:30pm

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
KS2 Carol Service in church - 5pm

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**  
Reindeer Run

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December**  
Christmas Party Day – party clothes

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**  
Non-uniform Day  
Whole School Mass- 9:30am  
Finish for Christmas

