

ST CHAD'S PATCHWAY CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Year 6

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back and I hope you have all had a fantastic summer. We are really looking forward to the year ahead and working with your child. As you may be aware, Year 6 will be an exciting year but perhaps the most challenging year of your child's school life so far. Your child will be taught by Miss Legg, Ms Butcher and Kate and although it will be a demanding year, it will also be one filled with activities and packed with memories. There are a few areas we would just like to remind you about as we get the year started:

PE:

Our P.E. days are Monday (outside) and Thursday (in the hall) up until October half term and will then switch to Wednesday (outside) and Thursday (in the hall) after half term and for the remainder of the year; it is important that your child has a suitable P.E. kit for these days. However, it may be a good idea to keep a kit in school at all times in case of unplanned events. Please ensure that they have the appropriate P.E / Games clothing on the correct days and that they do not wear jewellery that they cannot take off themselves (only stud earrings are allowed in school and no smart watches). Please could we ask that additional socks are packed as part of the P.E. kit for hygiene reasons and a warm top / trousers as the days get colder. Should your child be unable to participate in P.E, please send a note with your child explaining the reason.

Homework:

Children will receive spellings every other Friday, which they will need to learn for the following Friday's 'Jumping Orange Word' test. These will be found in the cover of their Homework book split into weeks. They will also be learning words that follow a specific spelling pattern in class in two week blocks. These will be tested on Mondays during a 'Speed Spell' test and will need to be practised at home. We also expect the children to read each night for a minimum of 20 minutes and revise their multiplication tables. Additional maths and grammar or reading homework will be set at the end of the week to be completed and returned by the following Thursday. We appreciate your support in encouraging your children to complete and return their homework on time as any late homework will not be able to be marked before the next set is sent home.

Topics:

Our main geography topic this term is Latin America and our history topic is the Mayans. Our science topics are Earth and Space and this will be feeding into our writing based on our novel Cosmic. We have included a topic sheet overview and if you have any resources that you think might be useful or for display, please send them into school (labelled with your child's name).



SATS:

From Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May, Year 6 will be taking their SATs tests. We don't want anyone worrying about these, especially this early on. The children will receive lots of practise and opportunities for additional booster sessions will be provided for all children throughout the year regardless of their academic ability.

We have found the use of study guides incredibly useful in preparation for the SATs in May. We are offering the opportunity to purchase the SATs study guides at a reduced rate through the school (retail at £5.95) to help support your child with the introduction of new objectives in the National Curriculum.

Please indicate which books you wish to order on the form below and ensure that payment is made via parent pay by Friday 27th September. We will order the books so that the children will have them hopefully before half term.

A few reminders / requests:

To avoid long queues at the water fountain and time out of class, could we please ask that your child brings in a water bottle so they have access to water throughout the day.

Please remember that school dinner money should be paid in full for the week ahead via parent pay and dinners should be ordered online.

We would also ask that you update the office with any medical needs your child may have. We need to be aware of any allergies or change in medical condition. If your child requires an inhaler, please make sure that an up-to-date inhaler (labelled with your child's name) is sent into school as soon as possible. There is a form available in the office for you to complete should you need to update us with anything medical.

To help celebrate all of your child's achievements, please feel free to let us know of any special achievements they might gain in any after school activities, so we can present them in ICA (I Can Achieve) assemblies.

We will be continuing to use the class dojo system as part of our behaviour management system; please see the additional sheet for details about how to log in so that you can be updated on your child's behaviour and achievements at home.

We know that it seems incredibly early to mention this but so that you are notified well in advance, please be aware that our year 6 leavers' assembly will take place at 1.30pm on Thursday 16th July. All children will receive tickets for two adults to attend.

If there is anything else you would like to discuss, please feel free to make an appointment to see me. I would ask that you try to see me after school as mornings are sometimes hectic. Alternatively, I am able to discuss anything with you over the telephone.

I look forward to seeing you at Parents' Evening (Tuesday 22nd or Wednesday 23rd October), if not before.

Kind regards,

Miss Legg





CGP Key Stage Two study Guides (Please order by Friday 27th September at the latest).

Please order through Parent Pay via the notes field where you will be able to select the books required.

Study Book	Cost per book including parentpay charge
Maths Standard or Advanced	£2.53
Grammar, punctuation and spelling	£2.27
Total	£4.80



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