

Who's Who in Year 6

Mrs Blunden: Assistant Headteacher
Red Class Teacher
English Learning Group Teacher
Maths Learning Group Teacher

Mrs Blunden's Email Address:
caroline.blunden@upton.kent.sch.uk

Miss N Slaney: Blue Class Teacher
English Learning Group Teacher
Maths Learning Group Teacher

Miss Slaney's Email Address: nicole.slaney@upton.kent.sch.uk

Miss Papa-Adams: Green Class Teacher
English Learning Group Teacher
Maths Learning Group Teacher

Miss Papa-Adams Email Address: athanasia.papa-adams@upton.kent.sch.uk

Miss Povey: Yellow Class Teacher
English Learning Group Teacher
Maths Learning Group Teacher

Miss Povey's Email Address: ashley.povey@upton.kent.sch.uk

Mr Walker: English Learning Group Teacher
Maths Learning Group Teacher

Mr Walker's Email Address: dave.walker@upton.kent.sch.uk

Year 6 Teaching Assistants: Mrs Brown, Mrs Denby, Miss Lewis & Mrs Williams-Verrall. **Senior TA:** Mrs Moynan



PE lessons

6G & 6Y: Terms 1 & 2: Outdoor PE lessons on Mondays.

6B & 6R: Terms 1 & 2: Indoor PE Tuesdays

All classes outdoor PE on Fridays until pool is running

Please ensure your child has the appropriate clothing for outside PE so that they can be warm and comfortable. Tracksuits and / or the Upton 'hoodie' can be worn. As the saying goes, "There is no such thing as inappropriate weather, only inappropriate clothing."



Upton Junior School



Year 6 Newsletter

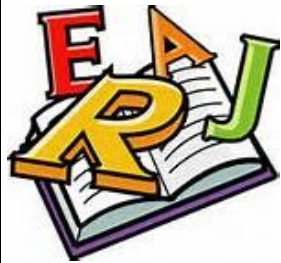
Terms 1 and 2

This booklet gives a quick resume of our teaching and learning programme this term. There are lots of exciting events happening across Terms 1 and 2. Here's a snapshot of what you can expect over the next two terms:

Date	Event
21/9/15	Prayer reflection sessions: Parents invited to visit the Prayer Space between 3-3:45 pm Mon- Thurs or 2:30-3:15pm Fri
1/10/15	6R class assembly—9am
5/10/15	Parents meeting: effective marking—9am, 2:15 pm or 6pm
9/10/15	Year 6 Dreamland Trip: letter out shortly
16/10/15	Pupil Forum: Governors to meet with Form Captains
16/10/15	Parents in to see work—2:30 pm
19-21/10/15	Parent consultations— School closes on Monday 19th at 1:15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
21/10/15	Harvest Festival
23/10/15	End of term. School finishes at 3.15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
2/11/15	Staff training day: school closed to all pupils
3/11/15	Start of term 2: school open at 7:50 am for Breakfast Club Attendees and 8:40 am for the rest of the school
16/11/15	Start of Anti-Bullying week.
25/11/15	Year 6 parents lunch—12:15 pm: Letters out shortly
26/11/15	6G class assembly-9am
26/11/15	Year 6 parents lunch—12:15 pm: Letters out shortly
2/12/15	Upton Open Day for Admissions 2016 -10:00 am - 1:30 pm - 6:00 pm
4/12/15	Christmas fair—1:30 pm
7-11/12/15	Year 6 Christmas assembly this week. Date TBC.
8/12/15	Travelling pantomime in school—Mother Goose
14-18/12/15	Christmas party week. Date TBC
16/12/15	Year 6 Christmas dinner: Letters out in November
18/12/15	Christmas celebration - Holy Trinity Church
18/12/15	End of Term: School closes at 2:15 pm. Upton ship ASC on until 6:15 pm
4/1/16	Start of Term 3: school open at 7:50 am for Breakfast Club Attendees and 8:40 am for the rest of the school



Year 6 Topics



English: We will be following a text-based curriculum covering these books:

- 'March On' - Linked to Martin Luther King for all Learning Groups.
- Roald Dahl's 'Boy' and 'Kensuke's Kingdom' for Mr Walker's, Miss Povey's and Miss Slaney's Learning Groups
- 'Why the Wales Came' and BFG for Mrs Blunden's Learning Group

- Miss Papa-Adam's Learning Group will be continuing with Fresh Start

Maths: We are following the New National Curriculum which organises work into units of work. The children are in learning groups according to their needs and rate of progress. Homework is set in these groups. Any work you would like to do with your child at home could involve:-

1. Learning certain maths facts by heart so that the children develop the ability to recall these facts instantly.
2. Playing a game with cards or dice.
3. Investigating number patterns.
4. Shopping and pocket money problems.
5. Use 'MyMaths' site - please see homework tasks or booster packs.



IPC Topics:

During Term 1 our Year 6 classes will be following a unit of work on a theme that focuses on forces entitled **Fairgrounds**. In Term 2 we will be covering invaders and invasions through The Great the Bold and the Brave. These unit is part of our **International Primary Curriculum**, through which subjects are integrated together within a topic. Aside from the subjects of the curriculum, children also learn how to be responsible, independent learners, as well as developing understanding of international issues and the interdependence between countries and cultures.



Computing: Using a computer based world, the children will decide how 'objects' interact with each other. They will also program how they are controlled and develop this world into a Mars simulation based on NASA's rover project. Using a coding language, the children will explore loops and subroutines. (Repeating Programs). In the classroom the children will develop their digital literacy skills and e-Safety understanding.

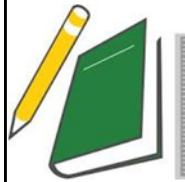


Music: Lessons will be taken by Mr Langridge. Year 6 will focus on keyboards.

Art: Art will be linked to the units covered, more details to follow.

R.E: The whole school meets most days for collective worship. In class we will look at Sikhism in Term 1 and Christianity in Term 2.

Homework Tasks and Supporting your child at home:



The computer suite is open from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm every day for parents and children to complete homework. Library lunchtime open days for pupils: the timetable will be confirmed soon.

- ♦ Just a reminder that English Homework is set on a Monday and a Friday evening and maths is now set using the MyMaths website. Topic work is to be carried out on a Wednesday. If no specific homework has been set then timetables, general research and extra reading should be undertaken. Children should be doing at least 30-35 minutes.
- ♦ SPELLINGS are set each week by the learning group teachers.
- ♦ MATHS: times tables and maths tasks are set each week.
- ♦ 'The site 'MyMaths.co.uk' is subscribed to by the school.
- ♦ Your child needs their login. If the login is lost, let us know and we can give out the information again.

General Upton My Maths login:

uptonjs password: north

Other useful websites include:

- www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk
- www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2
- www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents

