

Autumn

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the new school year! We hope you had a great break and we're very happy to welcome you and your child into their new class.

English

The children will write a descriptive piece based on a piece of British war art: Henry Moore's *Woman Seated in the Underground*. They will also write a biography of a Black figure from WWII and a non-chronological report about the circulatory system.

Maths

Our focus in Maths will be arithmetic and we will be perfecting our column addition and subtraction before heading on to short and long multiplication and division, and squared and cubed numbers.

Science

We will develop our biological knowledge by studying the circulatory system in animals and humans. We will analyse the function of the heart and lungs, discuss nutrients and how diet affects health, and also look at the effects of exercise on the heart and major muscle groups.

Art & Music

In Art, we will be exploring identity by creating self-portraits. We will use layering and juxtaposition to create pieces that reflect our whole selves. In Music, we will look at the genre of pop by listening to *Happy* by Pharrell Williams. We will also celebrate music by preparing for our winter performance!

History

This autumn term we will be learning about WWII and the Battle of Britain. Within this, we will focus on evacuation, rationing and the treatment of certain groups during the war. We will then look a bit closer to home and examine the impact of the war on our local area.

PSHME

We will start the year by exploring relationships. We will discuss the nature of healthy and safe relationships, family and friendships, and how to show respect for ourselves and others. We will also cover non-statutory sex education objectives about changing bodies and intimate relationships.

RE

Year 6 will be learning about Buddhism, with a focus on following the Buddha's teaching. We will then begin to explore Judaism and the teachings of Abraham.

ICT

Computing will have a focus on information sharing networks. We will cover Domain Name Servers (DNS), Internet Protocol (IP) addresses, and how information is shared across the internet using packets.

MFL

Children will learn vocabulary related to everyday life and will discuss where they live.

P.E.

We will be learning skills related to hockey, fitness and dance.

Thank you for all your support!

From your Year 6 team: Ms Harris (Cormorant Class), Ms Supple (Emperor Penguin Class) and Mr Richardson (Shoebill Class)



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Green**

Please listen to your child read at home every day (5-10 minutes) and where possible from a variety of texts. Please ensure that their reading records, reading books and Me books come to school in book bags **every day**.

Shoebill PE days:

Monday (indoor) & Wednesday (outdoor)

Please come to school wearing appropriate clothing for PE (trainers; leggings, shorts or tracksuit bottoms; t-shirt, sweatshirt/hoodie).

Year 6 Home learning:

We will give the children a home learning folder to prepare them for the demands of secondary school. This will include:

- A grammar, reading or writing task
- A maths task
- Spellings to practise

These tasks may sometimes be given on Sumdog to complete.

There will be a half termly project, due in the last week of each half term.

Me Books

We are also sending home a 'Me book' in which to complete weekly activities. There is a grid of nine activities to complete and you can choose which activity to complete each week. Of course, you are welcome to do all nine over this six (and a bit!) week half-term! We would like our children to bring in their Me books daily, and we will share our fabulous learning once a fortnight.

Other Class Information:

This term, the children will visit:

- The Imperial War museum
- Buddhist Peace Garden
- Chislehurst Caves

Lost Property

Children are encouraged to look after their belongings. Ensure your child's name is written on their belongings: if an item of clothing is found with no name, it will be taken to lost property for the children to collect at the end of the day.

Getting in Touch!

If you have a question, concern or query, please email the office at info-BG@brindisheschools.org and your email will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff.