



**HARDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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### Year 6 Newsletter – Autumn Term 2016

Firstly, we would just like to say what an enjoyable first week or so we have had in year 6. All the children have settled in very well and have been behaving sensibly & maturely - long may that continue!

In class 6 as well as having Mr Weston as our full time teacher, we are also fortunate to benefit from Mrs Buckroyd who will be teaching on Wednesdays & Thursdays which will allow the opportunity to work in 2 smaller classes, which will therefore enable us to boost progress even further. Our teaching assistants will mostly be Mrs Parker and Mr Maiden, however Mrs Ashington is also timetabled to teach Art & DT regularly to class 6 too.

Please find below an outline of the main objectives and curriculum content which we will be covering over this term (up until Christmas).

**ENGLISH:** (linked to 2 fictional texts – titles to be revealed soon, authors: Shaun Tan & Michael Morpurgo)

Stories with flashbacks  
Sensory Descriptions  
First Person Accounts  
Character Portraits  
Diary entries  
Dialogue  
Non-Chronological report  
Letters

**MATHS:**

Number & Place Value  
Calculations  
Fractions  
Decimals  
Percentages

**SCIENCE:**

Light & shadow

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**TOPIC:**

Emigration & Migration

**COMPUTING:**

Programming

Word & Powerpoint

**GEOGRAPHY:**

Latitudes, Longitudes, Equator, hemispheres, tropics

**HISTORY:**

Non-European Society – Japan

**LANGUAGES – SPANISH:**

Greetings, numbers to 50, colours, family members, Christmas

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION:**

FRIDAY – outdoor – Volleyball

TUESDAY – outdoor/Indoor – Football & Basketball

**MUSIC:**

History of Music-composers

**R.E:**

Buddhism

**P.S.H.C.E:**

Health & Risk

**HOMEWORK & PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT::**

Number Zumba will begin shortly, with mental maths 'learn by heart facts' to be sent home weekly. Projects will also be set & last a few weeks at a time. Please also continue to support your child at home by checking and encouraging them to read regularly. Discussing what they've read, will not only consolidate their comprehension skills but will also develop their evaluative skills too. Weekly spellings will also be sent home, to be tested the week after, please check that your child is practising these regularly. Any written homework that is part of projects would be best supported by parents helping their children to plan and draft, then by checking their drafts for good grammar and varied punctuation. It will also be really helpful if you could re-enforce lots of times table practice too.

Finally, we would just like to inform you of how well your child has settled into life in year 6 and how we're all really looking forward to working with them throughout this academic year.

Kind Regards

**Mr Weston, Mrs Buckroyd, Mrs Parker, Mr Maiden & Mrs Ashington**