

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome to a new term at Mayfield. We hope it will be a very happy and successful year for your child in Year 6.

In this letter, we aim to give you an indication of what your child will be covering in the curriculum, as well as other information, which we hope you will find useful.

Autumn Curriculum

	<u>Autumn 1</u>	<u>Autumn 2</u>
<u>English</u>	Greek Myths Play scripts Non-chronological reports	First person narratives Flashback stories Balanced arguments Non-chronological reports
<u>Guided reading</u>	Greek mythology Non-fiction texts Test skills	Norse mythology Poetry Non-fiction texts Test skills
<u>Maths</u>	Place Value (numbers up to 10,000,000, rounding, negative numbers) The four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) Multiplication facts: Square and cube numbers, factors and multiples, prime numbers BIDMAS Reasoning and problem solving	Fractions Position and direction Reasoning and problem solving
<u>Science</u>	Light	Electricity
<u>History and Geography</u>	Ancient Greeks Human and physical geography of ancient and modern Greece	The Vikings Exploring and comparing regions of Northern Europe
<u>R.E.</u>	Big Questions and Ethics	Identifying and explaining how Jews and Christians demonstrate their commitment to faith
<u>P.E.</u>	Hockey Tag Rugby Dodgeball Dance	Hockey Rugby Gymnastics
<u>P.S.H.E</u>	Rules and responsibilities Beginning and belonging Working together	
<u>Art/DT</u>	Soap sculptures Ancient Greek vases – sgraffito and papier mâché	Viking long boats – clay sculptures and collages Figurehead sketching Shading skills
<u>French</u>	Regular activities Recapping Year 5 language	Les vêtements (clothes).
<u>Computing</u>	Computing systems and networks	Programming A - variables in games
<u>Music</u>	Sea Shanty	Samba

Upcoming events:

<u>Autumn 1</u>	<u>Autumn 2</u>
Residential – 21 st – 25 th October VR session – 18 th October	History workshop – TBC

Water bottles: All children should bring a water bottle to school every day.

Indoor shoes: Children need an indoor and outdoor pair of shoes with them at school. Sensible slippers may be worn as indoor shoes. These will be left in the cloakroom / classroom at the end of the day (for cleaning purposes). Children change their shoes multiple times a day; please consider not sending in shoes which take a long time for children to lace up.

PE: Outdoor PE lessons will be on **Monday** and indoor PE lessons (including swimming in the summer) will be on a **Thursday**. In Autumn 1, there will be additional outdoor PE on **Wednesdays**.

Homework: We will primarily be setting homework tasks through our new platform, Learning With Parents. This will be set on a Friday and you will be sent a link to the activity. This will need to be completed by the next week. You will also be asked to complete a reading log for your child through this platform. Additionally, please continue to practice maths fluency at home (times tables, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) as well as spellings using the lists that have been sent home. We will, on occasion, send home additional homework (paper copies) as and when it is needed.

Medication: Please be aware of the following:

If it is necessary for your child to be given a dose of antibiotics etc during the school day, please take note of the following:

- ALL medication coming in to school must be clearly labelled with the child's name and dose (pharmacist's label if prescription medicine)
- You must also send in written permission and details of what time the medicine is to be given.
- All medicine to be handed in at the office.
- Your child should be instructed to go to the first aid room when their medication is due.

If your child needs an Asthma inhaler, this should be kept in the pink tray in class.

Playtime

Children are allowed to bring in **fruit or vegetable** for break times.

Mobile devices

Children are not permitted to bring in any mobile devices with internet access / gaming capability (e.g. phones, smart watches, tablets) unless there is an appropriate reason for this, such as a medical condition requiring a device, or they walk home alone. Any devices brought into school should be switched off before entering the school grounds and given to the class teacher first thing in the morning.

Independence:

Now that the children are in Year 6, they are encouraged to have more independence at the end of the day. If you wish your child to walk home by themselves, please email your child's class teacher or office to confirm this. Collection time is 3:20pm from the junior playground.

Uniform: Children should be following the Mayfield School Dress Code. See here for more information:

https://mayfieldcambridge.org/?page_id=1056 This will be very strict in secondary school, so it is good practice this year. If the children go to a morning/after school sports club, they are still expected to change into their uniform for the school day.

Other school rules:

No neck scarves or hats are to be worn IN school- these are fine for outside but must be removed once inside.

Long hair is to be tied back at all times.

If earrings are worn, they should be studs. Children should be able to remove these themselves for their PE lessons, or they will unfortunately not be able to participate.

As you can see, we have a busy and interesting term ahead of us! We are very much looking forward to working with you and your child. If you have any immediate concerns about your child we are happy to discuss these with you, please email the office at office@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk or feel free to contact us directly at mbate@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk and rbest@mayfield.cambs.sch.uk. We will endeavor to reply within three working days.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Bate and Ms Best