



#### Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have continued our learning about Baptism, creating our own leaflets and packsets of cards to understandexplain the symbolsymbolism of water. The children ran a fantastic welcome mass last Friday, which was a wonderful start to our year. We have been learning about hyperrealism in art and have analysed compared different artists who use this medium.

We are really looking forward to PGL next week! Please read the reminders below. Have a restful weekend, we will see you all on Monday morning.

Miss Maloney and Miss Kelly

Year 6 Team

# Important information:

Important reminder: children must not be dropped off at school before 8:30am unless signed into the Hive or they have a club, as there are no adults supervising before this time. Thank you!

#### **PGL** reminders:



- Children to come into school normal time (preferably as close to 8:30 as possible)
- Children will need their suitcase and a backpack with a packed lunch/drink in for Monday.
- Suitcases can be left outside the front office to be loaded onto the coach
- Children can keep their backpacks and bring them upstairs for registration
- · Children will come upstairs as usual to be registered
- Coach will be leaving around 9-9:15am. Parents are welcome to wave children off!
- If any medication, this must be named clearly and handed into the front office by a
  parent or guardian and signed in by a member of staff
- Please let us know if you **DON'T** want your child's photos shared on Instagram
- We will let you know when we have arrived safely @

# WHAT TO PACK (SOFT HOLDALL ONLY)

- Old clothes/layers (children will need changes of clothes for the evenings)
- Water bottle
- Waterproofs
- Old Shoes more than 1 pair (one to get muddy and wet)
- 2 Towels
- Sun hat and suncream
- Small Tuck Box (no nuts!)
- Disposable camera (child's responsibility)
- · Bin bags (for wet and dirty clothes)
- A watch/small clock (no smart watches)

#### **Don't Bring**

- Electrical equipment games/phones etc.
- Aerosols
- Valuables
- Money



# **Important dates:**

# **Dates**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October – PGL.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Christmas Card art return date.

**Friday 17**<sup>th</sup> **October** – Harvest Festival. As always we would very much appreciate any **in date, non-perishable** food items or toiletries, preferably from the list below:

- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned fruit
- UHT juice
- Boxes of chocolate these are put into parcels at Christmas

# PGL FAQs after the parent information session:

# Clarifying the use of earrings during activities:

Please ensure any earrings worn are small studs. They may be asked to remove them during some activities.

# Clarifying the use of glasses during activities:

Glasses can be worn during the activities if needed. There will be a staff member with each group who can look after glasses during an activity if necessary.

# Does each cabin have its own toilet and bathroom/shower or are these facilities shared?

Each cabin has its own ensuite bathroom with a toilet and shower.

# Can the children bring a mains powered night light?

There are no plugs in the cabins. Your child is welcome to bring a battery powered torch/small light.

# Do the children need to bring a swimming costume?

Yes, please ensure your child brings swimwear.

#### Do the cabins have a hair dryer or can the children bring one?

No, the cabins do not have a hair dryer. There are no plug facilities so they will not be able to plug in a hair dryer or bring one of their own.

#### Can the children bring books and games?

The children can bring a book and/or small (**non-electronic**) toy or game with them. Please note that anything they bring is their responsibility to look after.

### **Clarification on trainers**

Please bring two pairs of trainers minimum, crocs will be fine for the evenings but not for activities. We recommend more than one pair in case they get wet. They could also bring water shoes if preferred.

#### Clarification on number of outfits

They need minimum of two outfits per day (one for activities and one for the evening).

# **Homework**

#### Maths.co.uk

Maths homework will reflect the learning that is done in class during each unit. It is set every Friday on Maths.co.uk. Logins have been sent home.

### **Spelling**

Spellings are set every Friday with a spelling test the following Friday, giving children one week to learn them.

# Reading

Please see below for the Key Stage 2 reading guidance. When the children finish reading a book, they need to complete an online quiz at home before changing the book.

Children should aim to complete as many quizzes as they can, but are expected to complete at least 3 quizzes per half-term.

Find the link to AR here.

# **Times Table Rockstars**

As a guideline, **children should aim to practise their times tables as much as possible, preferably daily.** Please encourage the children to practise those times tables which they are less secure with.

# **Reading in Key Stage 2**

### **Handy Hints**

Make reading part of your daily routine.



- Short sessions 15 minutes per day.
- Continue to read out loud to an adult as well as independently.
- Try to read a range of books including fiction and non-fiction.
- Complete the Accelerated Reader quiz at home, ideally within 24-48 hours of finishing the book.

# **How can parents help?**

Reading improves with practice.

Encourage your child to read at home, share your own books, discuss books, ask questions about the book they have read and visit the local library.

Check that your child is completing the reading quiz – this is part of their weekly homework.