

Year 6 Learning Letter (Autumn 1)

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Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday 19th September** - SHELTER DAY.
- **Tuesday 26th September**, 3.15pm Langdon B - Parent Learning Session on Y6,SATs etc.
- **Wednesday 27th September** - Virtual Reality Play in school for Y5/6
- **Friday 6th October** - Y6 cake stall
- **Week commencing 9th October** - assessment week
- **Tuesday 17th October** 2.30pm Langdon A - Parent Learning Session on Learning behaviours.

Year 6's Learning News

Welcome to Year 6 at Bridport Primary School!

We are looking forward to working with you and sharing the final chapter of primary school life with you and your child.

We will share the essential details of this academic year with you in a **meeting on 26th September at 3.15pm in Langdon B.** Please bring any queries to these or catch a member of the team before or after school.

Being me in my world...

In our Jigsaw sessions we have created a class charter displaying our rights and responsibilities. We have also looked at ways of life in other countries and compared these to our own; we realise how lucky we are to live in a country where our rights are respected and upheld.

What we will be learning...with top learning tips

Reading...In Guided Reading we will be looking at Goodnight Mister Tom; a text that links to our 'Keep Calm and Carry On' topic. We will also be developing the skills that you need to be a successful reader through a daily reading carousel. Learning Top Tip - "Always think about what could happen or what might happen next as it makes reading exciting!" Maxence.

Writing...We are starting our learning in writing with persuasive texts which will link to our work on Goodnight Mister Tom. We will move on to war poetry before the end of this half term.

Learning Top Tip - "When writing stories, make sure you have the beginning, middle and ending planned before you begin." suggests Alice.

Maths...We will focus on number as this is the most important area of the maths curriculum. We will cover place value, decimals, negative numbers as well as the four operations. We aim to develop resilience and confidence in using and applying our number skills! **Please remember to practise your times tables at home!**

Learning Top Tip- Faye recommends, "If you are adding larger numbers use column addition."

Spelling...We will have daily opportunities to develop our understanding and application of spelling skills. We will continue to improve our understanding of phonics and spelling patterns through Read, Write, Inc.

Learning Top Tip - Luke advises, "If you are unsure, write all the possible spellings for a word, then pick the one that looks right."

What we will be learning...

History: Our topic for this term will be, "Keep Calm and Carry On!" In this topic we will learn all about World War Two by finding out about evacuation, the Blitz, rationing, propaganda, war campaigns and much more. We will make links with our English lessons and as well as covering history objectives, we will also be learning some WW2 songs and learning to sew so that we can "Make do and Mend". As well as having an exciting "Shelter Day" later this month (see below for details), you will be invited to join us for a VE day parade at the end of term- more details to follow...

Miss Upson will be taking the lead on Art - teaching both classes each week. Indoor PE will be on Thursday and we will be doing boot camp with Mr Gough. Outdoor PE will also be on Thursdays and this term we will be having a basketball coach in to teach us some new skills. It is crucial for your child's health & wellbeing that they participate in all PE activities. Please ensure they have their PE kit in school. We will be calling with a polite reminder for any who forget.



Parents can only give good advice or put them on the right paths, but the final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands.

Anne Frank

What are you looking forward to about being in Year 6?

Lucas is excited to build shelters as part of our 'Keep Calm and Carry On' topic this term.
 Kayleigh is looking forward to taking her SATs as she is keen to see how much she has improved at tests.
 Holly cannot wait to go on our residential in the summer term because she wants to try a new experience.

6Rs (growth mindset) top tip:

"Every mistake you make is progress," Anon.

"All our dreams can come true- if we have the courage to pursue them," Walt Disney

SHELTER DAY IN YEAR 6! Tuesday 19th September

The children are invited to dress up for the day in a costume reflecting the World War II era. We have already discussed possible ideas with the children, so they might have some ideas already.

On the day we will be building shelters using materials which the children need to bring in from home, such as large cardboard boxes, old bits of fabric, rope and string. Please do not send anything precious as it may end up being cut, stuck or tied to something!

Please start collecting any large boxes or other resources which may be useful and **send them in on 19th September.**

Please don't send them in before this date as we have nowhere to store it all!

From 1:30-1:50pm on Shelter Day we would like to invite all parents of Year 6 children to come and enjoy the shelters as well as help to evaluate the children's creations.

Home Learning ideas...

Miss Upson says, "Keep an eye out for incorrect use of SPaG in published texts or signs. Take a photo to bring in to class so we can have a go at correcting these ourselves."
 Mrs Farmer suggests, "Try practising your times tables when brushing your teeth, washing up or when travelling to school."

Improving pupil voice, supporting pupil choice

School Council News and Views... This year our Year 6 school council representatives are Matthew (Langdon A) and Robyn (Langdon B). Thomas and William will continue with their roles as joint chairpersons. They will work together to ensure that the year 6 pupil voice is heard and will regularly share the latest school news and developments with their classmates.