

# Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 Term 1 2023/24

Term 1 has arrived, and we are excited to begin our Year 6 journey (and our final year at Evergreen!). In Year 6, Mr Rees and Miss Allan will be working with us. Please remember to bring your coat, water bottle and reading book every day.

We are very proud of our learning so please make sure you log onto Class Dojo each week to check for updates and to see all of our amazing work!

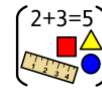
## Authors



As authors, we will be reading *The Viewer* written by Gary Crew. We practise and develop our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills within our writing sessions with a key focus on expanding our vocabulary choices. Alongside this, we will learn key reading skills including skimming and scanning a text to find information, making inferences, as well as how to answer questions that require the retrieval of facts from a text.

We are going to use our great oracy skills to discuss, retell and act out our story. Ask us all about our book at home – I am sure we will be very excited to discuss it with you!

## Mathematicians



As mathematicians, we will be deepening our knowledge and understanding of place value. We will be deepening our understanding of what it means to be a 'Mathematician', proving our answers and reasoning with our learning. We are always keen to use our strategies... I wonder if we can teach you at home!

We will have maths homework weekly based on our in-class learning. Please remember to complete and return to school!

There are also a range of exciting maths games that can be accessed online: Topmarks, Purple Mash and TT Rockstars – just to name a few!

### Historians



As historians, we will be exploring Ancient Egypt! We will discuss key people, events and locations of Ancient Egypt. We will be using a range of new vocabulary to explain our learning as historians!

### Athletes



As athletes, we will be practising and refining our age-appropriate fundamental movement skills. We are very excited to have new Bristol Robins sessions this term which will help us to develop our athlete characteristics through sport.

### Reading and Spelling



As readers and writers, we will be learning our weekly Year 6 spellings during our spelling session and vocabulary lessons.

We will have a spelling test every Friday. Please practise your weekly spelling words at home!

Year 6 will also be attending swimming this term. Your child should bring their swimming kit and towel into school **every Thursday** and wear a sensible/warm coat to wear during the walk to and from the swimming pool. Please see below images regarding the kit your child will need.



### Citizens



In jigsaw, we will be learning about 'Being Me in My World'.

We will be accepting that everyone is different, learning about the word 'inclusion' and discussing the use of kind words. We will be discussing how it is useful to 'find calm' and be open-minded.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding our learning.

### At home learning



Please listen to your child read at home 5 times per week. This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. Just 5 minutes per day makes a big difference. Don't forget to ask your child to identify the meaning of words and discuss what they have read – they will be very keen to show off their reading skills!

We will be checking reading bookmarks on Friday's and will change books when appropriate throughout the week.

*Have fun reading together!*

Yours Sincerely,  
**Mr Rees**