



Y6

Classroom News



Avondale
Primary School



Meet Mr Clegg

I hope you have all had a lovely summer break. I am absolutely thrilled to be working with your child over the next year and I will do my very best to make sure that they enjoy their time in Year 6 and are ready for the next chapter of their school journey at high school. I am a huge Blackburn Rovers supporter and enjoy watching them with my season ticket at Ewood Park. I also enjoy playing football, padel tennis, socialising with friends and working out at the gym in my free time. I am really excited about the year ahead; time will certainly fly!

Dates for your Diary

17th September - Flu vaccinations
24th September - Rock Kidz
2nd October - Return cauliflower cards
8th October - School Photos
8th October - Class 6C assembly
14th October - Harvest assembly
22nd October - Parents Evening
23d October - School closes for half term break (re-opens Monday 2nd November)

Friendly Reminders

- Dinner money is to be paid via the online system please.
- PE - Wednesday. This will either be swimming or PE within school. 6C will be doing PE for the first 5 weeks in school and then we will be swimming from Weds 7th Oct - Weds 21st Oct (the last 3 weeks of this half term).
- Please ensure your child has their full swimming kit/PE kit in school (black shorts or tracksuit bottoms, white t-shirt) A bobble will be needed for long hair and jewellery will not be permitted unless it is appropriately covered with a plaster (activity dependent).
- Homework will be given on Fridays. It will be consist of spellings to learn (paper and Spelling Shed), reading 5x per week and a TT Rockstars activity. Spelling Shed activity to be completed by the following Thursday..
- Spelling tests will take place on a Friday and reading records will be due in every Monday morning. Please make sure that this is signed by an adult.





What we are studying

Maths

In our maths lessons, we will begin the year by exploring the place value of numbers up to 10 million including ordering, comparing and rounding. In addition to this, we will dedicate some of our learning time towards refining our arithmetic skills. Any further support with times tables at home will be of great benefit for your child – they are really important for all of our maths work in Year 6.

English

During our English this term, we will be identifying the key features of a warning story and then creating our own. Later in the term, we will study non-chronological reports and produce one based on Victorian Darwen. In addition to this, we will continue to develop our grammar and spelling skills. Our class novel is 'Far From Home' by Berlie Doherty. Reading is always a priority at Avondale. Your child will be expected to read 5x per week and by now, they should be doing this independently, filling in their own reading records with when and how much they have read. We will keep an eye on these on a weekly basis and would ask that you sign their reading record at the end of the week to show you are aware that they are reading at home.

Topic

This term, our history theme is based around Victorian Darwen and this will build on the knowledge that the children acquired in Year 5. In science, we will focus our learning on electricity and will have a go at building our own circuits. In computing, we will be looking at the importance of staying safe online.



Your child is in their final year at Avondale and whether you are a parent experiencing this milestone for the first time or whether you have had older children who have left us previously, we know that this year can bring a whole host of emotions for both you and your child. Our job as year 6 teachers is to start to prepare the children for the next step in education, allowing them to achieve their potential by instilling the values of hard work and resilience and helping them to enjoy their last year in primary education creating memories that will last forever.

We can only do this with your support so please, if we don't know you already, come and say hello. If you think there is something about your child we should know, then please share it with us so that we can work together for the benefit of your son/daughter. You can always catch us at the start/end of the day alternatively you can make an appointment to see us via the office, write a note, send an email or we can give you a ring when we are available.

We look forward to working with you and your family this year.