

Autumn Term

Welcome to the new school year! We hope you have enjoyed the Summer holidays and spent lots of time having fun with your family.

Here is some information about what your child will be learning throughout this term. We're sure that your child will be looking forward to the exciting opportunity to camp out and sleep under the stars on our school field in a couple of weeks as part of their topic's 'Memorable Experience'... we certainly are! Keep reading to find out more about what your child will be learning this term...



Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 2019 Year 5 and 6

English

Y5 and Y6 will be continuing to apply all of their knowledge of punctuation, grammar and vocabulary skills in their daily English lessons.

They will be working on the book 'The Jamie Drake Equation' by Christopher Edge and will be writing a Newspaper article linked to Apollo 11, a diary entry, a biography and science fiction story. Children will continue to work hard on their writing Non-negotiables as well as being introduced to some new writing checklists.

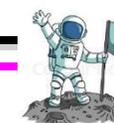
Spellings will be tested weekly - these need to be learnt as part of your child's homework.

Maths

Children's Maths skills in year Y5 and Y6 will continue to develop their ability to apply their knowledge of +, -, x and ÷, as well as working on their fluency, reasoning and problem solving skills too.

We will continue to support your child in developing their 'Basic Skills' - Please encourage them to come to school at 8:40am.

Please continue to help your child to practice their times tables skills! Remember they can access 'Times Tables Rockstars' on computers, laptops and handheld devices to practice their skills.



Topic Enquiry Question...

Is there anyone else?

A brief overview...

Journey through space, the final frontier...
Navigate beyond the sun: the magnificent blazing star at the centre of our Solar System!

Investigate the eight planets - Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune.
Take a look at the Moon, a celestial body that orbits Earth.

Compare the time of day at different places on Earth and work scientifically to investigate gravity, and what happens when there is none!

Get in a spin making simple models of the Sun, Moon and Earth to explain how we have 'day and night'

Then it's three, two, one... BLAST OFF! Build and launch a rocket for an important test mission.

Exploring space is probably the greatest adventure that humankind has ever undertaken. Are we alone or are there any other life forms out there?

PE

Class 1 - Tuesday and Wednesday

Class 2 - Monday and Thursday

Class 3 - Monday and Thursday

Please ensure that your child comes to school with an appropriate kit which includes appropriate footwear!
Many children are missing lessons due to not having their kit! ☹

We advise that children leave their PE kits on their pegs to help prevent kits from being forgotten. It will go home each half-term. Older children will be encouraged to take their kit home when they recognise that it needs a wash! ☺

PSHCE

We will be continuing to work on our 'Thrive' approach which is linked to the specific needs of each class.

RE

We will be learning about the journey of life linked to Christianity.

MFL - French

MFL Week
23rd - 27th September

Science

The children will continue to develop their investigative skills through learning about Earth and Space, including: night and day, gravity, forces and materials.

ICT and Music

Your child will continue to develop their coding skills as part of the Computing curriculum and will be studying 'Don't Stop Believing' in music.

Y6 - Y7 Transition Secondary Applications

Please note that the closing date for Parental Preference forms and online applications is:

31st October 2019

Please contact your child's teacher if you would like any support with your child's secondary school application.

Secondary Open Evenings

Macmillan - Thurs 12th Sep - 4-8pm

Outwood Ormesby - Tues 17th Sep - 5-7pm

Outwood Acklam - Wed 18th Sep - 5-7pm

Unity City Academy - Wed 18th 3:30-6:30pm

Trinity - Tues 24th Sep - 6-8pm

Kings Academy - Thurs 26th Sep - 5:15-7:15pm

(*Children can go to Kings and then join the camping afterwards - they won't miss out!*)

Acklam Grange - Mon 30th Sep - 4:30-7pm

Outwood Academy Riverside (new free school for Sep 2020 - held at the Riverside stadium) Mon 23rd and 30th Sep - 5:30-7pm

We encourage parents to visit some open evenings with their child and discuss this important time of transition from primary to secondary education. It will happen sooner than you think!

After School Clubs

There is a great range of after school clubs available at Easteride Academy!

Keep an eye out on the Study Support noticeboard for more information!

Please encourage your child to attend as this will help to develop their social skills and provide enrichment ☺

Uniform



The children look so smart in their new school uniforms!

Please remember that all children are expected to wear **sensible black shoes** for school every day. Please inform your child's teacher if there are any problems with this.

Book Bags

Please ensure that your child **brings a bag with their Reading Book in, into school every day** so we can listen to them read. Thank you ☺



Camping - Thurs 26th Sept

We're really looking forward to this fantastic experience for all of our Year 5 and 6 children.

Please remember to pack lots of layers!

Homework

All homework is given out on a Friday and is to be returned the following Friday. We are encouraging children to focus on the quality of their homework



English
Maths
Spellings
Reading

(at least 3 times -
signed by a parent in their journal)

Please support your child with their learning!

Project Homework has been a real success and we look forward to seeing some great work again this term!

Swimming - All Y5/6 classes will be going swimming every day for two weeks in December (2nd - 13th)

How to be a Super Student!

In order for your child to achieve Super Student, they must:

- Be in school (and on time) every day!
- Wear the correct uniform every day!
- Have a positive attitude!
- Do their homework!

Captain's Table - A Great Success!

Year 6 Jobs Bulletin Board

The Y6 jobs bulletin board went up this week and children have been applying for their desired 'job'.

They have taken part in the following activities: writing letters of application; preparing answers for interview questions and have even had a real 'interview'!



Successful applicants will be notified shortly and full training will be given in the coming weeks.

We are very proud of all our applicants! ☺

Stepping up to Year 5 and 6

As your child is now part of the upper KS2 team, it is vital school. We expect that all children take responsibility for their homework, reading, uniform and have a positive attitude to all aspects of school life. Please support us! ☺



If you have any questions or queries please feel free to come and speak to the teachers - Mrs Anderson, Miss Tunney and Miss Doe.
We are always very happy to help! ☺