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NO
FULL STOP
TO LEARNING**

YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back – I hope you all had a wonderful Summer break and that you are excited for your child to be in Year 6. My name is Mr Meza and you may already know Mrs Ouazene but perhaps might not know Vicky. Vicky will work with us on Tuesdays and is fantastic at delivering all interventions specialising in Speech and Language Therapy so we are very to have her with us.

Contact Information:

I am very happy for you to catch me in the playground but find it most useful if you email me if you would like to get in touch. The communication policy has changed slightly this year, so please email the admin@reay.lambeth.sch.uk address FAO of Brian Meza and they will then forward it onto me.

Year 6 Secondary Transfer Meeting:

This will be held on **12th September at 5pm-6pm**. It is a chance to meet with us to discuss secondary schools, how to apply for them and expectations for both. There is no need to book, please just turn up with all of your questions to be answered.

Topic:

Our topic this term will be on The Great War and we will be using Private Peaceful by Michael Morpurgo as a basis for this and for the Mantle of the Expert lessons.

Homework:

Please find the creative homework ideas attached.

There will also be **weekly spellings** to learn again. Spellings will go home on a **Wednesday 4th September 2024**. Use Look, cover, write and check to help your child learn these as well as asking them to remember them during your random spot checks throughout the week. These can be fun.

We will also be sending home some maths homework each week – these will be sent on a Friday starting today! They are to consolidate the learning we have been doing and shouldn't take too long. There is no need to bring them back to school to prove you have done them unless you would like to.

Year 6 will be sitting SATs exams in May. We will be preparing for these throughout the year, looking at mathematical reasoning, spelling, punctuation and grammar (SPaG) and reading comprehension.

We ask that you hear your child read aloud every day for 15 minutes or so and that you continue to read to your child every day for as long as you like. Afterwards, you can set them something to do in their Reading Journal – draw a picture, answer your questions, describe their reactions to the story or facts – whatever you think will be of interest to your child. If you aren't sure, please look inside the front and back covers of the Journal for lots of ideas for activities and questions. I will of course look inside their Reading Journals but I will be nothing but delighted to see anything you have contributed so please do as much as you like – I promise I won't check your spellings or grammar and am very happy for you to write in your own languages. **We will be practising these skills during guided reading every day but practising at home is invaluable.**

We might also send home times tables and arithmetic practise throughout the year in order to keep them fresh in your child's mind.

PE:

PE is on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** - please ensure your child has a fully **labelled** PE kit and brings it to school on these days as this is an invaluable lesson.

Timetable:

Our school timetable has changed this year. **School starts at 8:45am and finishes at 3.15pm.** If someone different is picking up your child after school please inform the office who will then inform me. Please also come around the corner in order to pick your child up so that we know you are here.

What to bring in Year 6:

Please **do not** bring personal belongings such as pencil cases or toys as these items are often lost or broken at school.

Monday	Guided Reading	Reading book, reading journal.
Tuesday	Guided Reading Cricket	Reading book, reading record, reading journal. PE.Kit
Wednesday	Guided Reading	Reading book, reading journal.
Thursday	Guided Reading P.E	Reading book, reading journal. PE kit
Friday	Guided Reading	Reading book, reading journal.

*Your child will have been given the opportunity to continue to play their instrument so if they have chosen to do so, please ensure they bring it in on Wednesday and Thursday.

I will be in touch again soon with more information regarding class assemblies, information sessions for parents and potential trips.

All of the best,

Mr Meza and the Year 6 team