



Upper Key Stage Two Learning Letter

Year 5 and 6



Welcome back to Moorside! We hope everyone has had a relaxing holiday and are now ready for the exciting new challenges this new academic year will bring.

Staff

Year 6 – Miss Rogan and Mrs Olive

Year 5 – Mrs Moss, Mrs Binks and Mrs Hanford

Daily routine

Doors will open at 8.50. Please arrive at school promptly with all your equipment ready to learn. Please make sure you have the following things with you every day:

- reading record
- spelling book
- correct PE kit (as outlined in the uniform policy)
- water bottle



9 – 9.15 Spelling practice

9.15 – 9.45 Guided reading

9.45 – 10.30 Maths/English

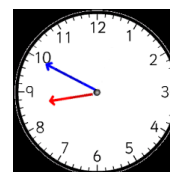
10.30 – 10.45 Break

10.45 – 11 mindfulness and SPAGERCISE

11-12 Maths/English

12 – 1 lunch

1 - 3.20 PE/art/music/topic/French/computing/DT



There will be an assembly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1pm.

Classrooms will display daily visually timetables so children are always aware of their daily routine at the beginning of each day.

East Barnby – Year 6

This year's Year 6 residential to East Barnby is taking place on **Monday 8th October** to **Friday 12th October**. Please see specific East Barnby information letter for more information or come along to our East Barnby Parents information evening on **Tuesday 25th September at 3.30pm in the Year 6 classroom**.



Topic

This term we will be learning about World War Two through our class text, 'My Friend the Enemy' with a focus on European countries involved with the war. We will also be using our geography and maths skills to map pilot routes from Germany to England. We will experience what it was like to live in England during the war by planning and creating healthy meals using rations. To get a head start with their learning, it would be great if children could research facts about World War Two at home and share them with the class as an introduction to the topic.

PE

We are very lucky to have PE specialists teaching one of our PE again this term. There will be two PE sessions per week, which will usually be on a Wednesday and Thursday for Year 5 and a Tuesday and a Thursday for Year 6. However, children will need their PE kits in school every day in case of timetable changes.

Homework

Homework will involve a range of activities related to our World War Two topic. A grid containing a range of ten different activities will be sent home for children to complete throughout the term. Children are encouraged to bring their completed activities into school regularly to share with their class and display in the classroom. The aim is for every child to complete all of the activities by the end of term. When necessary, extra homework may be sent home to consolidate and practise learning which has taken place in the classroom.

Times Tables

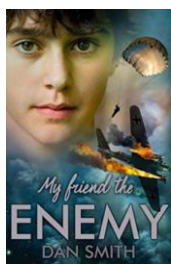
By the end of year 5, all children are expected to know the multiplication and division facts for all times tables up to 12x12. For this to be achieved, children will need to make sure they practise regularly at home, as well as in school. Times Tables Rock stars is a fun way to practise times tables and improve instant recall time. Can you get yourself on the leader board for your year group or even the whole school?



Spellings

Weekly spellings are given every Monday to be tested on the following Monday. Although children will take part in daily spelling practice in school, they will benefit greatly from extra practice at home too!

Reading



Children in Year 5 and 6 are expected to read age-appropriate texts at home **daily**. They will be given regular opportunities during the week to read for pleasure in school. Please encourage your child to read daily at home and log this in their reading records. If children are struggling to find age-appropriate texts to read at home, please contact the class teacher who can support with finding appropriate texts for children to really enjoy. Our aim is to promote a love of reading for all children. Our class text this term is 'My Friend the Enemy' by Dan Smith.

Check out our Autumn topic web on the school website to find out all the learning that will take place this term. We are looking forward to an exciting and busy term!

If there is anything you would like to discuss, please pop in after school or make an appointment at the Main Office.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 5 and 6 team.