



PARK HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was brilliant to work with the children during last week's Transition Day, when the new Year 6 teachers were finally revealed. There were a mixture of excitement and shock, but hopefully they are all looking forward to their final year at Park Hill as much as we are. Having met with the Year 5 teachers, and knowing the children so well anyway, we know what an outstanding year they have had in Year 5, and look forward to this continuing next year.

Mr Freeman will have responsibility for 6F, with Mrs Petros and myself sharing responsibility for 6LP (Mr Lawrence will teach Monday and Tuesday, with Mrs Petros teaching Wednesday to Friday). We will be supported by Mrs Chebbi, Mrs Bruck, and Mrs Anderson, who will be moving to Year 6 from Middle School. As with all aspects of school life, we will very much work as a team to provide the best opportunities we can for your child, and we are really looking forward to working with such a talented and hard working group of children.

Moving to Year 6 is always littered with excitement and apprehension; the children will be very excited about becoming the oldest children in the school with lots of responsibility, sitting on the benches in assembly, the residential to Dol y Moch etc, but they may begin to feel anxious about eventually moving on to Secondary School and the 'dreaded' SATs, which they will take in May 2020 (we will have parent meetings through the year to further discuss these). **PLEASE REASSURE YOUR CHILD THAT THEY WILL BE ABSOLUTELY FINE!** Our job is of course to get them ready for the tests, but overall, we want them to have fun, happy and positive experiences they will remember forever; the SATs are something we have to do, but will not define their final year at Park Hill!

Communication between home and school is very important, and we have an open door policy when it comes to any questions you may have; we are always happy to help. Before the end of this academic year, you will receive a Class Dojo invitation to be part of the new Year 6 classes, so feel free to ask any questions you may have before September. We appreciate that many parents are at work either side of the school day, so we will continue to check Class Dojo if you wish to get in contact with us, or we will be available before or after school.

We know how much the children have enjoyed reading this year, especially the Percy Jackson books, and we want this to continue into next year. Reading is so important, and provides the foundation for all aspects of the curriculum. Therefore, we would like to set a 'New to Year 6 Reading Challenge' to undertake over the summer holidays – the details are on the next page.

We hope you are all as excited as we are about next year, but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. Have a great summer break, and we look forward to welcoming the children in September.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Lawrence and the Year 6 staff

New Year 6 Reading Bingo!

To complete the challenge, you have to complete four of the following activities in a row, which can be done vertically, horizontally or diagonally. There will be 20 Housepoints for completing the challenge, with an extra 5 Housepoints available for 'proof' that you have done them - this could be photographs, book reviews, drawings of the main character or scene... be as creative as you can!

Read a story to a younger child.	Read a map and plan a route.	Read a book swapped with your friend.	Read a book from the library.
Read a book where the main character is not human.	Read a newspaper.	Read a story to an elderly relative.	Read a book with more than 300 pages.
Design an alternative cover for your favourite book.	Read a book recommended by a family member.	If your favourite book was turned into a movie, who would play the main character? Write an explanation why you think they would be good.	Write a book review.
Read in the dark with a torch.	Read a book in an unusual place!	Read your mum or dad's favourite children's book.	Read a magazine/comic.

Have a great Summer!