We’d like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our new Year 6 students. The year ahead is full of exciting activities and experiences leading up to the assessments towards the end of the year. We hope the children enjoy their time in Year 6.

The children have settled in really well to all of the new routines and expectations and have already shown themselves to be a responsible and helpful in their approach to their duties around the school. They have thrown themselves into their new roles and are setting a fantastic example for the younger years already. What a great start!

This week in Year 6 we are consolidating our knowledge of nouns, verbs and adjectives, as well as learning how to stay safe around electricity. In PE, we have started to develop our co-ordination in our ‘Ball Skills’ topic and in maths we have reminded ourselves how place value can help us to answer number sentences with larger numbers. Some of the children have also taken their 11+ exams, and we are extremely proud of their efforts.

Next week we are looking forward to:

* The residential trip to Kingswood, Ashford.
* Completing SATs-style assessments for reading and SPaG.
* Starting to round numbers using our knowledge of place value.

Homework

Will be set each Friday and should be completed and handed in the following Wednesday. This allows the children five days to complete the tasks (including the weekend). The children have been set Maths homework today- an interactive game that tests their knowledge and understanding of 6 digit numbers. From next week onwards, children will have additional homework.

Reading Record

The children have been given a reading record to complete over the course of the year. We expect the children to read five times a week and on one of these occasions they should read to an adult. This is important as it provides a check on the fluency and accuracy of reading and also provides an opportunity to talk about what the child is reading. Please remember that reading comes in many different forms e.g. newspaper articles, recipes, magazine articles, instructions, non-fiction books. It is always good to explore a range of genres.

Residential trip

The children are all looking forward to their residential trip next week. A reminder that all medication should be handed to Miss Parry by Monday 11th September. If your child suffers from travel sickness, this should be made aware to the teachers going on the residential trip. Children need to be in school on Wednesday 13th September by 8.45am, with the intention to leave at 9.00am. They must have a packed lunch with them in a plastic bag. Their water bottles must be named and separate from the rest of the luggage (which is restricted to 35 litres and is ideally a rucksack). Please do not pack sweets in your child’s luggage.

Meet the Teacher

The Year 6 ‘Meet the Teacher’ meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th September. We look forward to seeing you there. We hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

**The Year 6 team**