

# **Uffculme Primary School**

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# AUTUMN 2023 CLASS NEWSLETTER

September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers of Children in Year 6,

Welcome back! We hope you all had an excellent Summer Holiday with your family and friends. We have written this newsletter to give you further information on the expectations and routines in Year 6 this term.

In Year 6 this year, the teaching team are Mrs Hayman and Mrs Sugden; Mr Carpanini will continue to teach PE as well as teach French and RSE; Mrs Pethick will teach music. We pride ourselves on having an **open-door policy** so if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. If I am ever unavailable, please feel free to discuss any concerns with our Mrs Sugden as she will be more than happy to help.

We have only been back in school a short time, but I am extremely pleased with how well the children have settled into Year 6. We are all looking forward to the year ahead. We have included a list of topics and a brief explanation for what we will be covering during each one in the table below.

Subject Area	Content	What we hope to find out and learn
English	Texts related to the environment: Flood, Are Humans Destroying the Atmosphere, The Dump and Unicorns	We will be developing our skills of narrative writing, debates and balanced arguments and report writing.
Maths	Place Value, the 4 operations algebra and statistics	We will be recapping our knowledge of place value and practising our arithmetic skills using the four operations. Learn about 2 unknowns in relation to algebra and interpret line graphs and pie charts.
Science	Living things and their habitats	We will learn how to classify living things.
Geography & History	Britain in the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century (Victorians)	We will learn about the Industrial Revolution and the impact that it had on the Victorian era and live today. We will also learn about Queen Victoria and what it was like to live under her reign.
ICT	Creating Media: History of computers	We will learn how to record, edit and add sound effects to a radio play and understand how computers have changed and impacted the modern world.
Art & DT	Drawing: Make my Voice Heard	We will developing our drawing skills by looking at how artists convey a message.
	Cooking: Come Dine with Me	Design and cook a three course meal.





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Music	Sing Up: Hey, My Miller	We will be focusing on swing music, big band instruments and scat singing.
PSHE	Family and Relationships	We will learn about how to resolve conflict, respect and grief.
	Keeping Healthy	We will focus on diet, hygiene, physical activity and mental health.
RE	Buddhism	We will learn about Buddhist beliefs
PE	Invasion Games	Including: Football, Netball, Basketball and Tag-Rugby

### Reading

All children at Uffculme Primary School are expected to read at least **3 times** a week, for **1 hour 30 minutes** in total, at home. Please ensure your child does this and please sign their Reading Record Book to show that they have been heard. Dojos will be awarded for completed reading.

#### Spelling

Children will be given 10 spellings on a Monday. They need to learn them using the look, cover, write, check method which is in their homework book. They may also use a different method if they need further practise. Children will be tested on their spellings on a Friday. Spelling homework will not be marked but the child's test score will be recorded and they will be awarded a Dojo for completing their homework. Children will still have access to Doodle Spell if they wish to do extra spelling homework.

#### SATS revision books

Children are expected to complete a **double page of their Grammar Revision Book** and a **double page of their Maths Revision Book** each week. They can do more if they wish. Please can you sign their Reading Record Book to show if they have completed it. 1 Dojo will be given for each double page completed. Once children have finished their books, they can recap any areas that they are unsure of.

If children **do not complete their homework** at home, they will be given an opportunity to complete their homework in homework club on a Thursday lunchtime. If their homework is not completed they will attend reflection on a Friday lunchtime.

#### Water bottles and snack

Please can you send a water bottle into school every day for your child. It is really important that they have access to water throughout the day and a bottle in the classroom ensures that water is readily available (no squash or juice please). Please label the bottle with your child's name. If your child would like a snack at break time, they can bring in a piece of fruit or veg from home.

#### PE

PE lessons will be taken by Mr Carpanini and will be on a Monday and Friday. Children will need to have their PE kit in school on these days. A reminder that your child needs black shorts, red polo-shirt and daps. When the weather is colder, they may need black tracksuit bottoms. Please ensure that all PE kit is clearly labelled and carried in a named bag. For health and safety reasons, jewellery must be removed for P.E; this includes earrings.

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Thank you for your help and support over the term ahead. It really promises to be a wonderful year where your child will grow in confidence and independence.

With very best wishes,

## Mrs Hayman

Year 6 Teacher

#### Dates for your diary

SEPTEMBER				
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>		Part time attendance for EYFS children to start		
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>		First full day for Reception children		
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	3:30pm	Open Classrooms		
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>		Non-Pupil Inset Day		
OCTOBER				
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm	Harvest Festival (Church) - Food donations to CHAT		
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	3:40pm	Parent Consultation Evenings (incl. SENDCO meetings)		
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	3:40pm	Parent Consultation Evenings		
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Non-Pupil Day Trust-Wide Day		
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2022 - Half Term Break				

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