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## Autumn Newsletter

### Welcome to Year 6

Welcome to the new school year and to Year 6. I hope that you and your child(ren) have had a wonderful summer break and that they are ready for an exciting final year ahead! I am excited to be teaching the children again and look forward to sharing their final year's journey at Holy Family with them.

#### Who is in our class?

Mrs Hesketh is Year 6's Class Teacher.

Miss Oates will be with us Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and Mrs Dixon on a Friday afternoon

Mrs Walmsley will be teaching Y6 on a Wednesday afternoon.

**PE Days** ~ Thursday (indoors) which will be led by Rachael from Step by Step dance. Fridays will be outdoor (weather permitting) led by Team Theme. Please make sure your child has their full PE kit in school at all times. Can you also make sure their PE kit is named - this makes it much easier to return if anything is lost or misplaced.

**Spellings** ~ Spellings will be practised daily in school, these will be sent home each Monday in a home school spelling book, please encourage your child to practise their spellings at home daily

**Reading** ~ Please encourage your child(ren) to read each night, where possible, this can be a book of their own, a magazine, a newspaper or a home school reading book. A reading record will be sent home for you to sign. Pupils who practise their reading regularly at home and answer questions about what they have read tend to make significant progress. Children will be sent home with comprehension questions for each fiction book, reading books will not be swapped until this is completed.

**Homework** ~ Homework will be given out on a Monday and Friday (starting on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> September). The children's homework will vary each week and may consist of a written, number or topical task. This homework will be in addition to reading practise. Monday's homework should be returned by Thursday and Friday's by Tuesday. This is an important part of reinforcing and extending learning from daily school lessons and preparing them for high school. If homework is not handed in on time, it will not be marked. Children who don't complete homework will complete it in school during their break time.

*I will contact each of you personally, should there be any need to discuss your child's progress and I encourage you to come and see me should you have any questions or concerns. I will keep you informed of curriculum updates and term news through the school's newsletter.*

*Yours Sincerely, Mrs Hesketh*

**Thank you for your support this term and I look forward to working with you over the coming year.**

**Thank you for ensuring that your child has a NAMED PE kit in school. School jumpers also need to be named.**

