



Thursday 5th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Autumn Term 1 in Year 6 at Newhall Junior School. We are excited to be welcoming back the children and are looking forward to hearing about their summer break.

Curriculum

This term we will be learning about the Amazon in Geography; Evolution and Inheritance in Science; E-Safety in Computing; Being Me In My World in PHSE and What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God? in RE. In our PE sessions the pupils will be participating in weekly Golf and Dodgeball lessons. Space Week will take place in week 5. During Maths we will be covering place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and fractions. We will be writing a character description, a news article and a formal letter linked to The Island by Armin Greder in Writing.

PE

Our PE lessons will take place on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Children should be wearing their school PE kit – please refer to the uniform section on the school website. Children also need to have hair tied back and have removed their earrings or be able to take them out themselves.

Lost Property

To cut down on the amount of lost property each term, please could you ensure all items of your children's clothing is clearly labelled. This includes uniform, coats, lunch boxes and water bottles.

Homework and Weekly Tests

Homework this year will be to access Spelling Shed (<https://play.edshed.com/en-gb>) to practise spellings and Times Table Rockstars (<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>) to aid them in developing a rapid recall of multiplication facts. We ask that they complete these activities 4 times per week. This will be monitored by class teachers to ensure participation. Spelling tests will be on a Friday afternoon.

Reading

Your child is encouraged to bring their reading book home each day, along with their reading diary. Please set aside time at home for your child to read quietly or to an adult. Reading at home, when it is a regular habit, has a remarkable impact on reading progress. We ask that children read at least 4 times per week at home and that this is evidenced in their reading diary by an adult.

Yours faithfully,

The Year 6 Team