



# Hedgehogs Class Newsletter Term 6

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a fantastic break from school and are rested and ready for the final term of Y5. This year has flown by! I am sure it is going to be a busy term as we make sure that the children are ready for their transition to Year 6. I have enjoyed hearing about all of the adventures you have been on during the school holiday.

I will continue to teach the class all day on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs Blunt will continue to teach the class on a Thursday and Friday to allow me to carry out my wider role as Deputy Head. Mrs Berry and Mrs Goode will be also supporting the work that we do in their role as teaching assistant.

If you have any questions or concerns please do come and see me before or after school, or email me at [jo.godfrey@bad.kent.sch.uk](mailto:jo.godfrey@bad.kent.sch.uk).

Mrs Cottenden, Mrs Blunt, Mrs Goode and Mrs Berry

## Key Dates

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June- Staff Development Day  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June- Start of Term 6  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup>- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June- British Values Week  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June- Space Science Day including the Astrodome  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June- Science Day  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June- Trip to the mosque  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June- Father's Day Sale by the PTFA  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June- British Values Week  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June - Shorts for Short Lives  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July- Sports Day  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July- Transition Day  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July- Non-uniform Day  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July- Village Fete  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July- Sports Day  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July- End of T6





## Topics Overview

**English** - Our focus this term is on the works of Shakespeare. We will be studying some of his works including *Twelfth Night*, *Macbeth* and *Hamlet*. We will also be researching Shakespeare and writing our own biographies about him.

**Maths** - This term we will begin with further work on prime and composite numbers. We will also be focusing on developing our understanding of multiplication and division as well as revision of earlier work on time, percentages, fractions and decimals.

**Science** - We will be learning about Living Things and their Habitats. The children will be learning about the classification of living things and learning more about the life cycles of plants and animals.

**R.E** - Our topic for this term will be continuing from last term and learning about what it means to be a Muslim today. We will be visiting the mosque in Canterbury to consolidate our learning.

**P.E** - This term we will be continuing to work on our dance routine. Mr Packer will continue to teach the class PE on a Tuesday afternoon and a Friday morning. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the correct PE kit for each session.

**Computing** - This term the children will be learning about how computer networks work and the differences between the internet and the World Wide Web.

**Art/DT** - Our focus this term is making Viking purses. We would be very grateful for any donations of material or old pillow cases.

**History/Geography** - Last term we learned about the Viking invasion of Britain. This term we will be studying the human geography of Scandinavia including population and climate. We will compare this to our own country.

**PSHE** - Our topic for this term is 'What jobs would we like?'. The children will be learning about different jobs and the skills needed for these. We will also be examining stereotyping and its impact.

**French** - The topic for the coming term is 'En route pour l'école' where the class will be learning to identify key buildings within a town and to give directions.

**Music** - The children will be continuing to learn the ukulele with Mrs Willmott. We hope to perform to you at some point in T6 if restrictions allow.

## Home Learning



### **Reading**

There will continue to be the expectation that children are reading at home. It really is pleasing to see so many children growing and developing their enjoyment of reading. This is evident when children share what they are reading with us with a smile on their faces. Please do continue to support and encourage your children to read for at least 20mins a day 4/5 times a week. I have written a recommended booklist for the children in the class and update this as soon as I discover new 'good reads'. All of the books on this list are available to borrow from our class library.

### **Spellings**

As usual, the children will be sent home on a Thursday with 5-10 spellings they are required to learn for a mini-test on the following Tuesday. It is incredibly important that the children learn these each week, as the spellings form a vital part of their writing.

### **Multiplication Tables**

An additional task will continue to be set each Thursday. These tasks will consolidate and develop the children's knowledge of multiplication and division facts. These are likely to be set on Mathshed.