

### E-safety

Children will learn about e-safety in the autumn term.

Please ensure children do not bring mobile phones in and adhere to age restrictions for apps and social media.

Please monitor your child's use of message groups to ensure they are using appropriate language and behaviour at all times.

Please refer to the Thinkyouknow website for more information.

### Behaviour

Our whole school follows the 'STAR' values and we use the restorative approach to allow children to talk about problems that may have arisen during the day.

## Year 6 SATs week

SATs week is Monday 8th May until Thursday 11th May 2023.

Please ensure you do not book any holidays during this time.

### Communication

We are hoping to have regular drop in sessions where you can come and see your child's work and 2 formal parents' evenings every year where we talk about your child's progress.

Every half term we will send home a celebrated piece of writing in a BWCA book. This will inform you of how your child is getting on in writing. Please return this book to school on the following Monday once you have read your child's work ready for the next piece.

For more information please see our website at

[www.whittington-school.co.uk](http://www.whittington-school.co.uk)

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# Welcome to Whittington Primary School New parents Year 5/6



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Here is some information about life in  
Year 5/6.

## School uniform

Our school colours are royal blue, grey and white. Black school shoes (not trainers) should be worn. For a full list of school uniform please see our school website.

Children will need to come into school on their PE day wearing their PE kit in.

This should consist of :

- Plain white t-shirt
- Navy blue shorts
- Navy blue jogging bottoms
- Navy blue jumper/hoodie
- Outdoor trainers

Please note these can have the school logo on.

Please ensure you name all your child's belongings as it makes it a lot easier for us to return any lost items to them.

## Timetable

Monday	Reading book
Tuesday	Reading book Spellings PE kit all classes
Wednesday	Reading book
Thursday	Reading book
Friday	Reading book PE Kits (Bats, Owls and Badgers)

\*This is subject to changed in the Autumn term due to a specialist dance teacher coming in

## Year 5/6 teaching staff

Mrs Hargrove - Year 6

Mrs Metcalfe - Year 5/6

Mrs Preston and Mrs Howfield - Year 5

## Organisation

Children need to be responsible for packing their own bag. At the start of the year, children will be given a pencil, rubber and ruler in a pencil case.

Therefore the expectation is that they will be ready to start the lesson promptly. Your child will need a water bottle, which must only contain water and have their name labelled on it.

A locker is provided to store their belongings. Your child needs to bring in a healthy snack for break time.

Your child's reading diary should be signed 3 times a week and returned on a Wednesday where it will be checked by the teacher.

Spelling tests are carried out on a Tuesday and new spellings are sent home on the same day.

Children should complete Times Table Rock Stars homework each week. This can be completed online or a paper copy can be obtained from your child's teacher if there are any issues with using the internet.

## Learning challenges

We follow the Learning Challenge curriculum which takes a thematic approach to teaching. Our topics for this academic year are:

### AUTUMN

What was the impact of WW2 on the people of Britain?

How has life changed since the war?

### SPRING

Who were the Tudors?

When and what was the Industrial Revolution?

### SUMMER

How are our landscapes formed?

## Reading books

These books run alongside our topic theme

Autumn: Letters from the Lighthouse  
(Emma Carroll)

Spring: Treason (Berlie Doherty)  
Cogheart (Peter Bunzl)

Summer: Running on the Roof of the World (Jess Butterworth)

It would be really beneficial for your child to have a copy of these books for our English lessons.