

Year 6 Newsletter

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Welcome to Term 6 - The Final Steps

The end of an era!

It feels like just yesterday that those that have been with us since the beginning of their primary school career first stepped through the large gates of Repton - now, those gates don't quite seem to loom so large! We are all incredibly proud of the children for all that they have achieved and are excited to embark on a turn of preparation for secondary school and celebrations of the children's time at Repton.

Our Form Read - Once



This term, we will be delving into the incredible historical fiction novel, *Once* by Morris Gleitzman. The children are already completely captivated by this thrilling, funny and heart-warming tale of a Jewish boy looking to find his parents in a Nazi-occupied Germany. Feel free to discuss this text and its themes with your class teacher if you feel necessary.

Topic

Our topic this term is 'Battles that have Shaped Our World.' We will use historical artefacts to begin our exploration of how this time period has impacted our local communities and global interactions. We will explore how wars can generate technological and medical advancements while developing empathy for those living in war-torn places. We will develop an understanding of the Allies and Axis of Great Britain and the roles they played within World War II as well as increasing our understanding of key figures from this challenging time.

Science

In Term 6, we will have completed our Science coverage for Year 6 and to prepare the children for secondary school, we will be focusing on the Working Scientifically part of the National Curriculum. As part of this, we will be working on scientific write ups and engaging in exciting investigations such as a heart and eye dissection!

Preparation for secondary

With one term left of their primary career, we are beginning to shift our focus towards preparing the children for their secondary transition beyond their academic learning. After careful consideration, and having liaised with local secondary schools, we have come up with a plan to prepare the children. Children will be experiencing a Middle School approach to learning following the Key Stage Two SATS and will then have their home classroom as their form group and a variety of teachers and class settings for Reading, Writing, Maths, Topic and PE which will be mixed between the classes so that the children have the opportunity to work with a greater variety of peers, allowing them to develop their independence and organisation and adapt to being taught by different teachers. Should you wish to learn more about this, please contact your class teacher who will be happy to speak to you about this exciting development!

PGL

The moment that all of the children have been eagerly awaiting all year is finally almost upon us – PGL! Thank you to all of the families for providing all of the necessary information required for the trip. If you have not yet had the chance to complete the mecial survey monkey, please do so – the link has been emailed to you. Please find below the packing list the children will need:



NAMED ITEMS ONLY...

- Lunch in a carrier bag for first day. Reusable water bottle.
- Non-electronic travel games for the coach.
- Sports bag / suitcase – must be able to be carried by child.
- Small rucksack for carrying daily requirements: water bottle, fruit/snack, inhaler.
- Old clothes – a mixture of outdoor clothes for warm and cold conditions (long sleeves / trousers are needed on all three full days for the activities).
- Spare clothes and underwear incase things get wet.
- Waterproof jacket.
- Swimming costume.
- Torch (optional).
- 2 towels.
- 2 pairs of trainers (1 likely to get wet).
- Disco clothes.
- Wash kit.
- Sun cream, hat, water bottle, etc.
- Sleeping bag.
- Pillow.
- Pocket money (£5 max).
- Black bin bag – named – for dirty clothes.