
Royton Hall Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We are really pleased to welcome the children back for their final year at Royton Hall. We know that they are up to the challenge of Year 6 and that, if we all work together, they will succeed.

We are also welcoming a new member of staff in Year 6 this year as a new Mrs Bradley will now be teaching in 6D. She will be supported in class by Mrs. Swindell with Mrs. Heald and Mrs. Porter supporting Mr. Belfield in 6B.

We will begin the year by investigating inheritance and Adaptation, which we will link to our English lessons, where we will be studying the life of Charles Darwin. In English, we will also be linking our writing to a text called, 'The Wolves in the Walls'. We are teaching maths based around the White Rose Maths schemes of work in line with the whole school. We aim to immerse the children in engaging, hands-on, practical activities to develop a deep understanding of maths, which will improve their reasoning and problem solving skills.

Robinwood is approaching very quickly, **Wednesday 18th – Friday 20th October**. You will be given all the details you need to equip your child for this exciting opportunity in due course. Any further questions then please do not hesitate to ask.

A little later in the term, we will be sending out further information about the forthcoming **SATs, further details to follow**. The children have returned to school ready to work hard and this information will give you all the details and tools they need in order for them to succeed. We will also be discussing other areas of the children's journey throughout their time in Year 6.

As usual, we really appreciate your support in the following areas:

- ❖ **Attendance and punctuality** – always important, but even more so in this crucial term. Please ensure your child is on time and in school every day wherever possible.
This year, we are continuing to do an **'Early Bird Maths' session every day** in addition to our daily maths lesson. This is an opportunity for your child to practise and consolidate their essential maths skills to ensure they achieve their maximum potential in their maths lessons. These sessions take place **every morning at 8:45am**, so it is more important than ever that your child be in school on time every day!
- ❖ **School uniform** – please remember that this includes full PE kit and black boots/shoes without excessive decoration. PE kit should remain in school throughout the half term.

❖ **Homework** – this really contributes to your child’s learning journey, so please ensure that your child is completing their homework to a high standard, and handing it in on time. In Year 6, homework is given out on Friday, for return the following Friday, unless otherwise stated. Homework this year will include a short reading comprehension, 8 spellings for your child to learn and then use in a sentence and as always, regular home reading. Your child will now have a new homework book, which they have been asked to either back or decorate in some way.

Could we remind parents and carers that **mobile phones** should **only** be given to children to bring to school if you feel it will help them to stay safe on the journey to and from school. If your child brings one into school, it should be given directly to the class teacher, who will return it them at the end of the day.

For your information, this half-term will finish on Thursday 19th October, with school re-opening on Monday 30th October.

At Royton Hall, we really consider ourselves to be working in partnership with you to help your child enjoy their learning. Please contact us if you have any concerns or questions relating to your child. We are always available to answer your queries over email or by phone.

Here’s to a very productive year!

With kind regards,

Mr. Belfield & Mrs Bradley