

# Seymour Road Academy

## Newsletter

### Year 6

Spring 2019!

Welcome back! WOW! It certainly feels strange writing 2019! Already this academic year is going extremely fast! We hope you have all had a lovely and not too hectic Christmas and New Year! We have another busy year ahead with lots of fun and exciting lessons planned.

#### Top Tips for Survival



##### Surviving Year 6

Year 6 is a challenging year and to ensure that all children feel happy and confident ready for their SAT's tests in May, here are a few extra websites for them to explore at home:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/levels/zbr9wmn>

- **Bitesize KS2** - This is a useful website for children to revise Maths and English.

**SpaG.com** - This is a website that the children will receive a username and password to use at home.

**Top tips:** Early nights, eat a healthy breakfast and always ask a teacher if unsure of anything. We are here to help!

#### Creative Curriculum



##### Nancy Wake & WWII

This term, as part of the RESPECT curriculum, Year 6 is learning about the heroine, Nancy Wake, a secret agent spy during World War Two. We can't wait to learn all about the British war effort, evacuees, The Blitz and the secretive lifestyle Nancy led hiding from the Gestapo. We are also excited to take part in class missions to experience some of the challenges soldiers and secret agents would have faced. We will need to show excellent communication, resilience and self-awareness skills to fulfil the missions. The children are all thoroughly enjoying our new learning hook - especially taking on the role of a secret agent. We can't wait to show off some of our work on our website and Facebook, so make sure to check out the page and keep up to date with our learning.

## Maths



### Maths

The children will cover a huge amount in Maths this half term. We have already begun this term by looking at time and time tables. We are then going to move on to focus on shape, space and measure, ratio and proportion and algebra. This will include properties of 2D and 3D shapes, co-ordinates, angles, area and perimeter, volume pie charts and line graphs. Alongside this new learning, we will also spend time revising number, fractions and decimals. It is extremely important that children become fluent in all areas of maths and can apply their knowledge to a variety of different problems when presented in different ways, looking for the most efficient solutions. As always children will be practising their times tables which really does help them in many aspects of number and we would appreciate your continued support at practicing them at home.

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## English



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In English, we have been relating our writing to our RESPECT curriculum. We have written amazing setting descriptions on The Blitz and also newspaper articles on finding the WANTED Nancy Wake. Throughout this term, we will be covering lots of genres such as: information texts, poetry, arguments and not forgetting writing associated with World Book Day in March.

Throughout this term, we will also spend a lot of time focusing on spelling, punctuation and grammar, ready for our SAT's tests in May.

We will also be focusing on Guided Reading sessions, looking closely at retrieval, inference and deduction questions. It is important that children spend time at home reading so that their fluency and stamina improves.

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## Updates



### What, where & when?

Homework will be sent out every Friday followed by spellings on a Monday. All homework MUST be brought in by Wednesday and spellings must be learnt for Friday.

PE will be every MONDAY so it essential that their PE kit is brought back, if taken home and that the correct footwear is brought in to wear outside.

The children are going to be completing their missions which run alongside the RESPECT curriculum every MONDAY. These missions will be supported by Commando Joe to ensure a successful mission.

We look forward to a great year ahead!

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