



Year 6
Bushmead Primary School

Spring Term 1 2025

Good Morning Parents and Carers,

Our Value for January is Independence

Our well-being theme this half term is Yoga and Meditation

General Information

We wish you all a Happy New Year. We are very pleased to welcome the children back after the winter break and hope that they are well rested and ready to learn as we have a busy half term ahead.

Homework - We continue to appreciate your support with ensuring that homework is completed to a good standard and in a timely manner. Homework consists of reading a minimum of three times per week (ten pages at a time and reading records to be signed by an adult), maths and a spelling task. Should you have any concerns regarding homework, require support or need a paper copy of the homework then please notify your child's class teacher as they will be happy to help.

Reading - As ever, reading remains an extremely important aspect of your child's learning as it impacts on all other areas of the curriculum. Where possible, your child should read aloud to support their fluency - this can be to an adult or older sibling. Asking questions about the text supports comprehension skills.

*Please ensure that each time your child reads, the book title and page numbers are recorded in their Reading Record and signed by you in acknowledgement. Only reading entries that are at least 10 pages long and have an adult signature are counted towards the minimum 3 times a week requirement.

Uniform - Thank you to those who ensure that their child's uniform adheres to the school uniform policy. However, we still have many children who are not wearing the correct uniform - particularly footwear and PE uniform. The full policy can be found at

<https://www.bushmeadprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Uniform&pid=138>

If you have any questions or concerns about the policy, please contact the school.

Dates and Events

- **Monday 20th January - non-uniform day**
- **Wellbeing week 20-24th January**
- **Internet Safety Day Thursday 6th February**
- **Natural History Museum trip 7th February**

Curriculum Overview

English

- ★ To write a non-chronological report
- ★ To write a newspaper report

Maths

- ★ Dividing fractions
- ★ To understand decimals
- ★ To understand fractions, decimals and percentages
- ★ Measurement

Science

- ★ Inheritance and evolution (variation, inheritance and characteristics, animal adaptation, evolution, natural selection, fossil formation)

Computing

- ★ To use technology safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.

Geography

- ★ To identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude, Equator, Northern Hemisphere, Southern Hemisphere, the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic Circle, the Prime/Greenwich Meridian and time zones (including day and night)

Music

- ★ To understand and make percussion

PE

- ★ Hockey and dance
- ★ The focus of the learning is to consolidate the pupils' understanding of defensive tactics applying them to game situations. Pupils should be able to apply their prior learning of defending to create effective tactics that will prevent attacking opportunities.
- ★ The purpose of the learning is to bring together pupils' work on emotion and choreograph a final performance.

PSHE & RSHE

- ★ Relationships - feelings and emotions, healthy and unhealthy relationships and valuing difference.

RE

- ★ Faith in the modern world
- ★ AI in religion

The Year 6 Team

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Our Vision:

At Bushmead, children are empowered to be active, confident learners where they are inspired to creative and excel.

