



Welcome to Year 6 Autumn 2021

We hope that your child has enjoyed becoming a member of Year 6, settling into their new class – ready for the challenges of Upper Key Stage 2. We look forward to working with them all.

UNIFORM

Our school uniform consists of a black or grey skirt or trousers, these should not be jersey or leggings, a white shirt or blouse and a red sweatshirt or cardigan. Children should also wear black shoes to school- trainers may be worn for PE only. Long hair should be tied back, this helps control the spread of headlice and also keeps your child's working area clear. Any hair accessories should be small and plain coloured. Jewellery and makeup are not permitted, except stud earrings. These must be covered or taken out for PE.

Please can we ask that your child's name is on **everything** - it really helps us to return items to their rightful owners!

PE

We will have PE on **Tuesday**. Our P.E. kit consists of our house colour t-shirt, black shorts / leggings or jogging bottoms, black top or school sweatshirt and plimsolls or trainers. We are continuing with the same procedure as last year, so please send your child to school on Tuesday wearing their PE kit. If they wear school shoes on Tuesday, please bring PE shoes to school in a separate bag. Year 5 children will also go swimming in the Summer Term.

Home Learning

Each half term we will send home a project to complete that is related to our learning in the classroom. These will come out at the beginning of the half term to give you plenty of time to complete them.

We will also be using SEESAW (an online platform) to send home weekly spellings and maths work. You will have been resent your individual password and details of how to join SEESAW separately.

Reading

Reading is still very important in Year 6; where the demands of understanding vocabulary; predicting based on prior knowledge and using evidence from the text to answer questions are essential skills. Reading skills are taught daily in class, but it is vital that reading at home continues to take place. The more you can talk with your child about what they have read, the better their understanding will be.

- Please encourage your child to read at home *at least 5 times per week*.

11 BEFORE 11 is back!

At Beccles Primary Academy, we commit to giving every child a minimum of 11 adventures beyond the ordinary from the time they join us in Nursery, to when they leave us in Year 6.

11 before 11 takes pupils beyond the usual, outside of the classroom, and inspires them to continue to take on new challenges. Pupils will develop different aspects of their characters, learn new skills, and find out more about themselves through the programme.

In Year 6, our 11 before 11 experiences are Messing about on the Water and to Shake it up Shakespeare!
More details to follow very soon 😊

Year 6 Curriculum

Each half term we have a different learning theme. These are as follows:

Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
<i>Frozen Kingdom</i> <i>Artic & Antarctic History of the Titanic</i>	<i>Revolution</i> <i>Victorian Revolution including local study</i>	<i>A Child's War</i> <i>WW2 including local study links</i>	<i>Judge, Jury & Executioner</i> <i>Post 1066 crime and punishment</i>	<i>Macabre Maya</i> <i>The Maya civilization</i>	<i>Hola Mexico</i> <i>South America</i>

Trips and Experiences

All our trips and experiences tie in with our learning themes. This year we have planned:

A Titanic Experience, a visit to Ipswich Museum, a day as a WW2 evacuee, a mock trial, a chocoholic experience and ending the year with a botanical visit.

Exact dates will follow on the Flyer!

Parents

Each half term there will be an opportunity for parents to come into school and share in our learning.

We start with a Welcome to Year 6 meeting all about SATs in Autumn 1, Christmas Carols and Crafts in December, An Autobiography Cafe in Spring 1 followed by a Diversity Festival in Spring 2. In the summer term we will be inviting you to our Mayan celebration and then to join us for a special performance at the end of the year.

Watch out for your invitations!

We hope that your child enjoys the challenges and excitement that Year 6 has to offer.

If you have any concerns during their time with us, then please arrange to speak to one of us either in person or by telephone.

Thank you

Miss Parker, Mrs Crowfoot, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Wood, Mrs Fraser & Mrs Gunton
Year 6 Team