YEAR 6 NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2

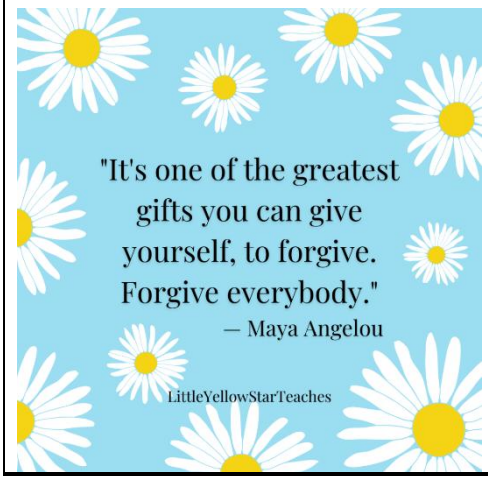
WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to another half term in Year 6.
We hope that you all enjoyed a break with your family. 😊

CONTACT US:

Please make a note of the Year 6 email address: Year6@pr5d.com
As always, if you have any questions, please speak with your child's class teacher at the school gate or contact us via email.

PRIORY RISE SCHOOL VALUES



November – Forgiveness
December – Peace

During this half term we will be exploring the values of forgiveness and peace.
These values will be a focus during assemblies as well as in PSHE lessons.

MEXICO DAY





Before half term, Year 6 children enjoyed their Mexico Day. The children took part in a range of activities incluidng: making Papel Picado with tissue paper, God's Eye weaving, playing Mexico themed bingo and learning some simple phrases in Spanish.



PRODUCTION

Our KS2 Production of Disney's Lion King is just around the corner.
Everyone has been working so incredibly hard, learning their lines and all of the amazing songs.
We cannot wait to share this fantastic show with you all.

All information about timings, location and costumes needed have been sent home via Arbor.
If you do have any further questions, then please do contact Miss Huish via the Year 6 email.

Dress Rehearsal & Performance Dates at Shenley Brook End School:
Monday 23rd November – Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 24th November – Performance 1
Wednesday 25th November – Performance 2

Ticket information will follow soon.

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW - AUTUMN 2
OVERARCHING TOPIC - THE STONE AGE

MASTER READERS	Our Master Readers text for this half term is Wolf Brother by Michelle Paver.	
ENGLISH	Our English learning will be based round our Master Readers text 'Wolf Brother' by Michelle Paver. The children will complete a range of writing tasks based on the story, including a diary entry, narrative, non-chronological report and newspaper report.	
MATHS	**Week 1**	Arithmetic skills & Equivalent Fractions
	Week 2	Comparing and ordering fractions & percentages of amounts
	Week 3	Add & subtract fractions
	Week 4	Multiplying & dividing fractions
	Week 5	Assessment Week
	Week 6	Fractions of quanities & word problems
	Week 7	Fractions, decimals and percentages
SCIENCE	'Animals and including humans', this half term we will be looking at the human circulatory system. We will focus on how exercise impacts the heart, how nutrients and water is transported to the heart and how to live a healthy lifestyle.	
HISTORY	History links to our Master Readers text; our focus will be on The Stone Age. In these lessons, we will learn about changing houses, Stonehenge, The Bronze Age, The Iron Age and Druids.	

DT	The children will be learning how to make their own fruit crumble. The children will be exploring different flavour ideas, building their own recipe and putting this into action. Class teachers will let you know when ingredients may be needed.
PSHE	This half term, the Jigsaw unit is 'Celebrating Differences'. In this unit, children will be thinking about our differences and how that makes us who we are.
FRENCH	In our French lessons this term, we will continue with our work on regular verbs. Working on verbs with -ir and -re endings.
RE	Within RE this term, we will be focuing on the big question: How and why do Christians read and interpret the Old Testament?
COMPUTING	Computing this half term will focus on privacy and secruity, self-image and identity and networks.

SATS WEEK 2027

The 2027 SATs week will be held the **week commencing Monday 10th May 2027.**

The scheduled assessment dates are as followed:
Monday 10th May – English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 11th May – English reading
Wednesday 12th May – Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Thursday 13th May – Mathematics paper 3



PE & LIBRARY DAYS



CLASS	PE	LIBRARY
Paver	Tuesday	Thursday
Elphinstone	Monday	Thursday
Rundell	Tuesday	Thursday



HOMEWORK

MyMaths

Homework is available every Monday on Google Classroom. This will continue to be a range of activities, including Maths, spellings and reading comprehension tasks. As well as writing tasks and MyMaths alternating weekly.

If you are having any difficulties accessing homework via Google Classroom, please speak to your child's class teacher.

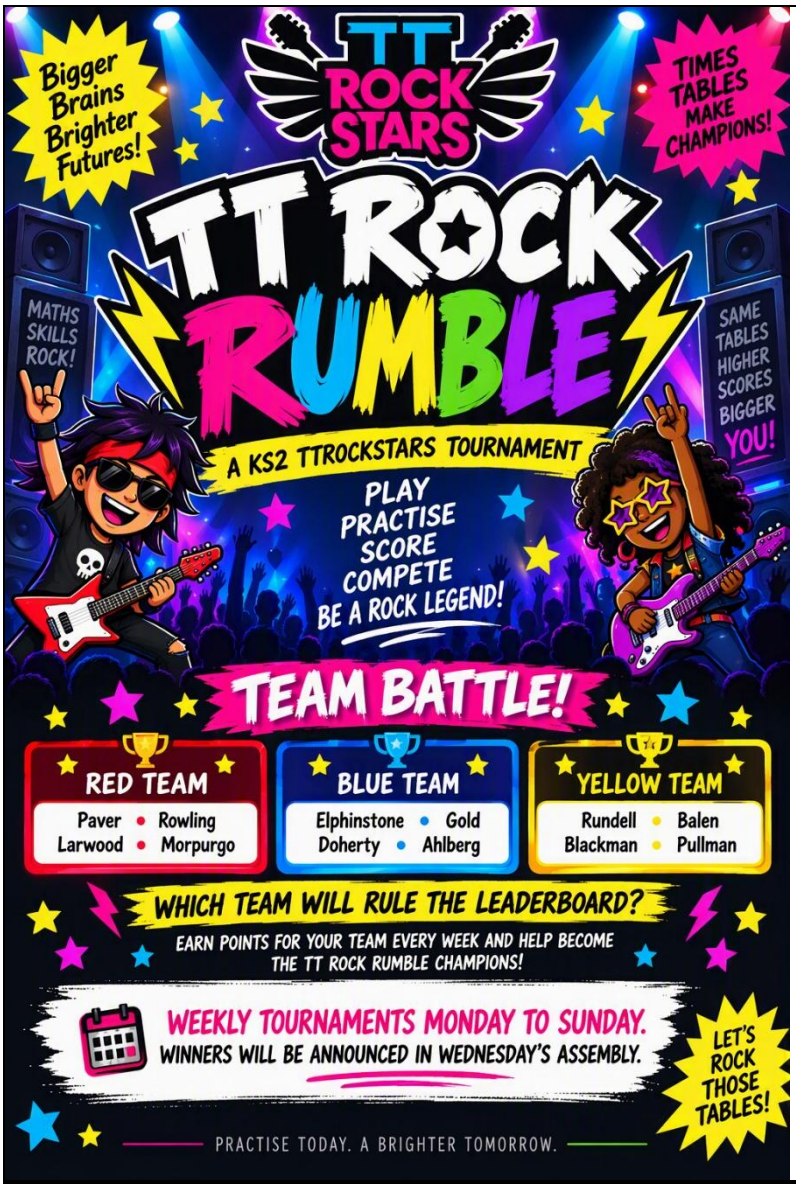
READING AT HOME



Please try to ensure that your child is reading at least 3 times per week at home, this has such a big impact on their learning. Please record this in the red homeschool link books. Children can record their reading themselves, as long as this is acknowledged and signed by an adult. Homeschool link books are collected by class teachers and checked every Monday.

If children have not been able to update their Home/School Link book and hand it in each week, they will be invited to read a book and make an entry towards their Home/School Link book on a Tuesday breaktime.

Thank you for your continued support with this.



ROCK RUMBLE!

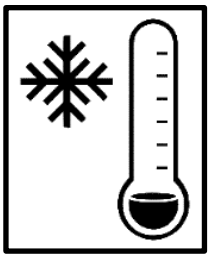
The Maths Team are thrilled to introduce our band new **'ROCK RUMBLE'!**

This is a KS2 TTRockstars weekly tournanent – winners annouced every Wednesday!

RED TEAM: Paver
BLUE TEAM: Elphinstone
YELLOW TEAM: Rundell

Times tables are a key skill for our Year 6 children, to support with many areas of Maths, including our next unit – fractions. We would love to see all Year 6s participating in the weekly challenge.

UNIFORM



As the winter sets in and the weather turns colder, please ensure that your child is bringing a coat to wrap up warm for break and lunch times.

We also ask that your child has the appropriate school uniform, in line with our Priory Rise School Unifrom Policy – please see link below.

https://www.prioryrise.milton-keynes.sch.uk/Policies/



BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

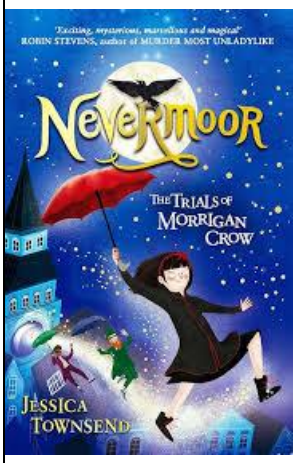
MRS JANK RECOMMENDS..



A PLACE CALLED PERFECT BY HELENA DUGGAN

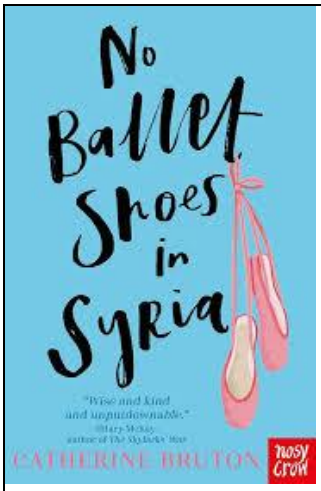
This book was a fantastic read and one I have recommended to lots of people. When Violet moves to a new village after her father's big promotion, she hates it. She left friends, her school, her home to now wash up in this *place*. There's a problem with this town, and her father being an eye-surgeon is the only one who can help, the town is going blind. The next morning, her whole family can't see, so they're fitted with Archer's Rose-Tinted glasses that glosses the town in utter perfection. When Violet meets the Archer brothers with their perfect tea that honestly tastes like nothing she's ever drank, she knows not to trust them and she's right too. This town is far from perfect, quite the opposite and she along with her new friend Boy, even with all eyes of the town on her, is going to prove it.

MRS BRADLEY RECOMMENDS...



NEVERMOOR: THE TRIALS OF MORRIGAN CROW BY JESSICA TOWNSEND

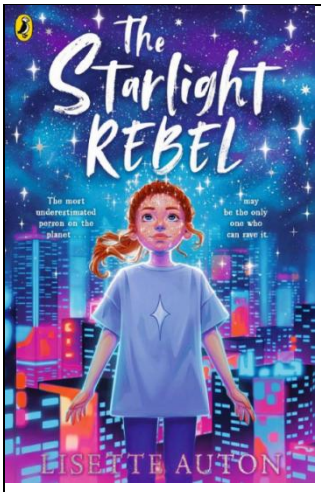
Nevermoor by Jessica Townsend is an exciting fantasy adventure about a cursed girl named Morrigan Crow who is doomed to die on her twelfth birthday – until she is whisked away to a magical city called Nevermoor. There, she discovers a world full of wonder, danger and extraordinary people. To stay in Nevermoor, Morrigan must pass a series of dangerous trials to join the prestigious Wondrous Society. The books is fast-paced, imaginative and full of surprises. Townsend has created a vivid world that feels both magical and believable, and Morrigan is a brave, curious character that readers will root for. Themes of friendship, courage and belonging run throughout the story, making it both heartwarming and thrilling. Nevermoor is perfect for people who enjoy stories like Harry Potter, A Series of Unfortunate Events and Rooftoppers! Plus, it's the first in a series, so you can jump straight into the next book once you have finished this one!



MISS HUISH RECOMMENDS..

NO BALLET SHOES IN SYRIA BY CATHERINE BRUTON

No Ballet Shoes in Syria is a about Aya, an 11-year-old Syrian refugee who, with her mother and brother, seeks asylum in Britain. Aya's love for ballet is reignited when she discovers a local dance class, and the teacher recognises her talent and encourages her to pursue a scholarship. The book shares Aya's struggles to secure a place in Britain, along with her newfound hope and opportunities in the world of dance. It is a very heartwarming story about new beginnings. It demonstrates excellent links to our Priory Rise School values of resilience, along with November's value – kindness.



MRS DOBSON RECCOMENDS...

THE STARLIGHT REBEL BY LISETTE AUTON

The Starlight Rebel by Lisette Auton is a wonderfully warm story about the importance of friendship – even in year 3897. Life is very different for the main character, Astrifer, compared to our own lives. Astrifer lives under a giant dome that protects all life within it. Life is busy, life is neon, her life is determined by the authorities – to work in a sock factory for evermore. Astrifer is destined for greater things – but will she ever believe in herself and can she truly trust those she calls friends?

This is an excellent read. I used every moment to catch up with the story and was sad to have finished the story. The author, Auton, is a new author for me and I will definitely be reading some more of her books in the future.

The story is perfect for Year 5 and 6 readers. It is an action packed, sci-fi fictional text.

To read the beginning of the text, follow the link: The Starlight Rebel - Google Books

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 2nd November – Inset Day
Friday 6th November – Diwali celebration – dress up or down
Friday 13th November – Children in Need wear PJs for £1 donation
Monday 16th November – Wear odd socks for anti-bullying
Friday 20th November – Flu vaccinations – mop up session
Monday 23rd November – Lion King Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 24th November – Lion King Performance 1
Wednesday 25th November – Lion King Performance 2

Monday 30th – Friday 4th December – Year 6 Assessment Week
Thursday 10th December – SBE Language Leaders visiting
Tuesday 15th December – Christmas party and dinner
Friday 18th December – End of Autumn Term