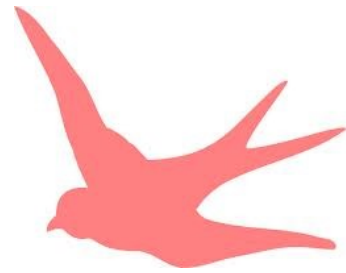


# Swallow Class Newsletter



## Autumn Term 2017

Welcome to year 6. What a brilliant start we've had! Everyone has settled in really well.

This year is extremely important for Swallow class. I have high expectations of them and after the first week, am confident they'll rise to the challenges ahead!

Our topic this term is *A Case Study of Iceland* which focuses on physical geography. We will be learning about what a fascinating island it is and how it compares to ours.

In science we are learning about electricity.

We will continue to learn French in MFL with Madame Jaye from Pilton Community College.

This year's subjects will consolidate and expand previously learned skills and knowledge. Children will have regularly changed targets in class to help them achieve their own individual potential.

If you need to see me, feel free to call in at the end of the school day or telephone the school office and leave a message for me to call you. I also check my emails regularly if you don't need to see me in person.

We will stay in regular contact with Park and Pilton Schools and during year 6, children will meet transition staff from both schools. Dates are already in the diary for transition visits.

I'm really excited about what I hope will be a happy and successful year with your children. Thank you for your supportive role in helping Swallows have a truly brilliant year.



**\*\*If you are willing to help out on day trips, please let me have your contact details.**

Thank you.

Please remember that children should not be in school before 8.50am. If they arrive early, they can play outside but must not use the bars or trim trail whilst unsupervised.

### P.E.

*Our lessons will usually be on Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has a clean kit including trainers. As the weather grows colder and wetter, a pair of jogging trousers or leggings might be a good addition to their kit.*

*We will be swimming after half term every Wednesday afternoon for six weeks. Please make sure your child has appropriate kit: a swimming costume for girls and swim shorts rather than 'boardies' for boys. Swimming hats are optional. A permission slip for wearing goggles will be sent out before half term.*



Children in year 6 should be reading for a minimum of 60 minutes each day! They all have 30 minutes reading time in school so you can support this by encouraging further reading at home. Please make sure your child's AR book comes to school every day.

**Homework** in year 6 will be mainly English and maths to help support our in-class preparation for end of KS2 tests.

I will endeavour to give out homework at the beginning of the week to be returned by Monday of the following week.

I highly recommend Homework Club which is on Wednesday after school until 4.15. Please book your place with the office.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask.

### Trips

This term Swallows' main trip is our residential at Ultimate Adventure. There are more trips at the planning stage which I will let you know about as soon as I have further details.



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