



Transition Booklet Year 6

2020 – 2021



Together We Make A Difference



Welcome to Year 6!

Many of you may have lots of worries and trepidations about starting in Year 6 this September. For most, this will be the first time back in school for almost half a year!

Try not to let these feelings take over. In year 6 we work hard but we try to play hard as well! There will be lots of new and exciting challenges and experiences but it is a journey we are on together.

This booklet will guide you through all the important information you need to know in order to be successful but above all, organised in your final year at Roe Farm Primary School.

The most important thing to remember is, if you are unsure or have any worries, ask!

This will be your final year at Roe Farm so let's make it a good one!

The Year 6 Team



Mr Wibberley

Year 5/6 Team Leader

I have been at Roe Farm for many years. Many years! And the vast majority of those have been spent in year 6.

I am a Dad of three boys so my time outside of school is rather busy. I am a huge football fan and follow Arsenal, which can be quite painful at times. I have an interest, if not an obsession with physical exercise and I love to watch film, particularly horror. Christmas is my favourite time of year and I can be found humming Christmas hymns from June onwards.

Mr Davenport

Deputy Head Teacher

I've been at 'The Farm' now for nearly 10 years and have a dual role as a class teacher and the Deputy Head. I like to think that my approach is work hard, play hard.

There is no denying that Year 6 can be a demanding year but we make sure that all the hard work is rewarded with quality field trips, a legendary Leavers' Performance and an adventurous residential.

Away from school, I spend a lot of my time canoeing and supporting Derbyshire Scouts in various capacities from running activities to driving tractors or training other adults.





Mr Grant

Teaching Assistant

Over the numerous years I have worked at Roe Farm, I have worked in Y1/2 and Year 5/6 supporting many teachers and pupils.

Outside of school I enjoy being physically active and spend a lot of time developing my skills in photography. As a film production graduate, I plan to put my skills in filmmaking into practice and set up a school club teaching children the art of filmmaking.

Mrs Claxton

Teaching Assistant

I have worked in year 6 for 12 years, providing extra support in the classroom.

You will often see me working with small groups to ensure that they understand the work and can complete the tasks set by the teacher. I also enjoy running clubs for both years 5 and 6 including gymnastics, dance, choir and girls club.

In my spare time, I enjoy listening to music - any style as long as it gets my foot tapping! I also like factual stories based around people or places. Ideally, I would be sat outside a tent relaxing with the family as I enjoy camping holidays.





Summer Challenges

We can't deny that this has been an unusual year! As such, we have not managed to do our normal transition activities and get to know each other before we start in September.

We thought it would be great if we could use Dojo to share some of the things we are getting up to in the holidays so here are a few challenges for you to complete!

1. Send in a photo of you reading in an unusual place.
2. Write a postcard and send it to school* for us to all share on our first day back.
3. Try something new that you have never done before - take a photo and send it in to share with everyone else!
4. Go on an adventure. This could be a wild walk, camping, going on a really long bike ride or whatever takes your fancy!
5. Cook a meal for your family - why not make it posh nosh with a properly set table and dressing up!
6. Help around the house completing the following:

Wash up	Polish something	Do some DIY
Vacuum	Help in the garden	Clean a toilet
7. Make sure you can tie your own shoe laces and tie a tie!

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What's coming up?

Autumn

- Topics:** Rivers / Ancient Greece
- Science:** Living things and their habitats / Light
- DT Project:** Textiles - soft toy
- Trips and Visitors:** Dove Dale

Spring

- Topics:** Aztecs / Mexico
- Science:** Animals and Humans / Electricity
- DT Project:** Cooking - healthy snack
- Trips and Visitors:** Cadbury's World

Summer

- Topics:** The Plague / All About Me
- Science:** Evolution and Inheritance
- DT Project:** Construction - model car
- Trips and Visitors:** Residential and Nigel Vardy

Uniform



We have high expectations in Year 6 and this includes abiding by the school uniform policy.

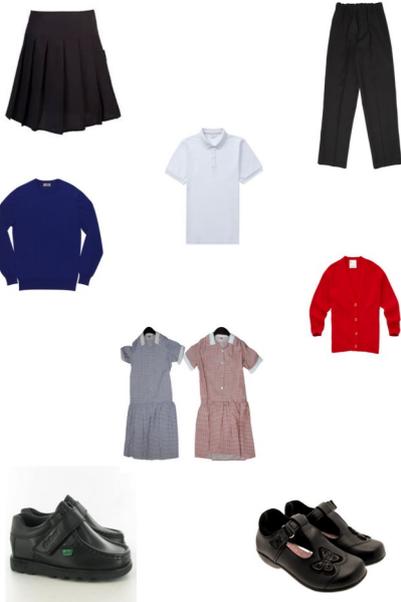
A uniform is important for a magnitude of reasons but not least it shows we have pride in ourselves and our school.

Wearing the correct uniform shows that we are ready to learn and reduces any unnecessary stress having the incorrect attire can cause.

At Roe Farm, our Uniform Policy is very straight forward and designed to be affordable yet smart.

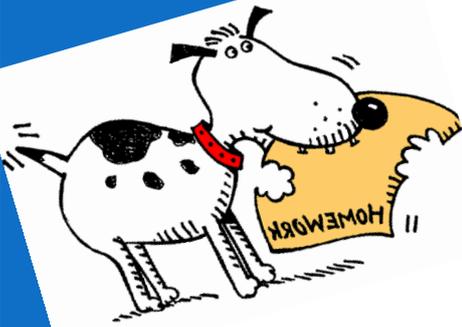
Both parents and pupils have a responsibility to ensure that the correct uniform is worn every day without exception.

Excuses aren't acceptable when they move on to secondary school, join a sports team or grow up and start work so please help us to help our pupils to learn self respect and be organised as they complete their time in primary education.



Red or royal blue round neck jumper/cardigan
Black or grey trousers/skirt
White long or short sleeved collared shirt or polo shirt
Plain socks
Black 'leather' shoes
Optional in the summer months: Black or grey shorts Red or blue check summer dress

Homework



Homework is an important revision aid but also helps teach pupils to be organised and have self-discipline.

Pupils are expected to do 15minutes subject homework and 15minutes reading for pleasure each day. In year 6, our homework timetable is as follows:

Monday	Spellings	test on Fridays
Tuesday	Maths	due in on Thursdays
Wednesday	Reading	due in on Fridays
Thursday	Grammar	due in on Mondays
Friday	No homework set	

Homework Diary

This is vital to aid personal organisation and will be required in each lesson. Our diaries have space for recording homework, resources to help with homework and a calendar to show important events throughout the year.

Homework diaries need to be signed by a parent each week and will be collected in on a Friday morning and checked by the class teacher. The idea behind this is for parents to check which homework should have been done and that it was handed in on time but also as another means of communication between home and school—there is a space each week for comments to be made.



Physical Education

PE plays an important part in a pupil's development; it helps to create a healthy lifestyle, nurture leadership skills, increase concentration and encourage self respect and respect for others. PE is part of the national curriculum and therefore is mandatory.

We do appreciate that occasionally you might sustain an injury that might prevent you from participating in a lesson to the same extent as everyone else. If this is the case, please see your class teacher at the start of the day so that suitable provision can be made and quality learning time is not lost. This does not mean you will miss your PE lesson, but that your role within it can be adapted to meet your needs.

PE kit must be in school everyday—no excuses!

We suggest that it is taken home each Friday for a wash and brought in the following Monday.



Core Kit (required daily all year round)

Plain black shorts

Plain white round neck t-shirt

Trainers

Plain socks

In addition to the core kit, in winter:

Dark tracksuit bottoms

Dark tracksuit top

SATs



Don't get worked up about these!

They're going to happen, every Year 6 in the country has to do them and there is no way of avoiding them.

Most Year 6's say afterwards that they quite enjoyed the lead up to them and the opportunity to push themselves and see improvements each week. See them as a chance to prove yourself but don't worry yourself about the final outcome.

Test week this year will be week beginning Monday 10th May 2021. It is important all pupils are in school for this week and for the following week prior to the half term holiday.

We will hold a meeting for pupils and parents closer to the time to discuss the details further—for now just try to forget about them and not get unduly stressed!

By the time they come about you will feel suitably prepared having done lots of practice so nothing can come as a surprise.

Test week will consist of:

Monday	Grammar and Spelling
Tuesday	Reading
Wednesday	Arithmetic and Maths Reasoning
Thursday	Maths Reasoning
Friday	Science