

Year 6 Autumn Newsletter

Year 6 is an exciting year and we have lots of wonderful things planned to ensure that your child's last year at primary school is a year they will remember.

Big Idea

Our first Big Idea – a book study on Phillip Pullman's *Clockwork* – has provided us with a great start to the year. We will be writing our own twisted fairy-tales and we cannot wait to see what our imaginative Year 6 children come up with! We will be finishing the first half term by answering the question 'What was life like in Viking York?' This Big Idea will culminate in an exhibition put on in the Year 6 classrooms. This will be on Friday 25th October and will finish at 4pm. Children are encouraged to dress up Viking-style on Friday 25th but dressing up is not obligatory.

Trip to Jorvik

We will be making a visit to Jorvik Viking Centre and DIG on Friday 11th October and are likely to need some adult helpers; we will send out a letter nearer the time with details of the day.

Homework

Spelling and Maths homework will be sent home on a Friday and will be due in on the following Friday. Children will have spellings to learn and spelling exercises to do. Maths homework will reflect our focus on mental calculations and times-tables.

Learning at home

All Year 6 children have a login to 'Times Table Rock Stars', 'Number Gym', 'My Maths' and 'Spelling Shed'. These excellent online resources are designed to help your child learn their spellings, times tables and key Mathematical skills. They are all accessible from home.

P.E.

Our P.E. lessons will be on a Wednesday and a Thursday. However, children should ensure they have their kit in school at all times. Kits can be taken home on a Friday. Please note that earrings cannot be worn. If there are any concerns about this, come and let us know.

We are really looking forward to a fantastic year!

The Year 6 Team