

Year 6 Newsletter

January 2024

Happy New Year!

Last half term, Year 6 children visited Haven Seashore for Crucial Crew. In these sessions the children learnt how to perform CPR, put someone in the recovery position, call for help when at sea, keep safe during a house fire and how to cross roads safely. Importantly, the children also had a talk from the police concerning staying safe online and sharing appropriate content. The children behaved superbly on this visit and came away with new knowledge and skills.

Homework

This half term, we are starting English and Maths homework. Each week, the children will have reading, grammar and maths sheets to complete. They will be sent home on a Thursday and will be due back the following Thursday.

TT Rock Stars, weekly spelling homework, practice year 5/6 spellings found in their reading records, reading three times a week and discussing information in their knowledge organisers.

Teaching and learning

We will be covering the following this half term:

- Maths** – Fractions, decimals, percentages, ratio and algebra
- English** – In writing our book is 'The Invention of Hugo Cabret' we will be using this to write a film review and a biography. In reading our books are, 'Darwin's Voyage of Discovery', 'Cogheart' and 'Beetle Boy'.
- Science** – Electrical components and circuits
- DT** – Cooking
- Music** – Songs of WW2
- French** – French homes
- PE** – Dance and gymnastics
- Games** – Netball and golf
- RE** -Buddhism
- Geography** – Frozen Kingdoms
- History**- World War 2
- Computing** – Spreadsheets
- PSHE** – Dreams and goals

Diary Dates

Time and Tide Evacuee Experience Day

6T 15th Jan
6B 17th Jan
6W 18th Jan

Evacuee dress up ideas.

In order to help the children get into role as evacuees they may want to come dressed up in "wartime" clothing.

Girl's dresses ended above the knees and outgrown old dresses would be converted by cutting off sleeves and lowering the neckline.

V-necked pullovers were popular with boys and girls. Socks would usually have been white or grey.

Additional items such as a leather satchel or case or a brown paper parcel will help to complete an outfit.

Dressing up for this trip is optional. If children choose not to, they should come in their normal school uniform.



Our book recommendations

6B Jenson recommends- 'An Elephant in the Garden' by Michael Morpurgo.

It is set in Germany during WW1. There is an unexpected turn when not only are allied bombs dropping everywhere, they now have an elephant to look after!

6T Jack recommends- 'The Blunders' by David Walliams.

The Blunders is a book where the Blunders family have to try stop the bank from taking their house. Bertie Blunder is 5268th in line for the throne so he just needs 5267 people to die and then he can become king. It is very funny!

Reminder about uniform:

Children should make sure they wear the Caister Junior School uniform. This is: blue jumper/cardigan, white polo shirt or shirt, school trousers/ shorts or skirt. Children should wear school shoes (not trainers). Long hair needs to be tied up. Nail varnish is not permitted. Children are not allowed bracelets/ necklaces.

Recently, there have been a few questions about smart watches. Smart watches are not allowed in school, but regular watches are.



Tuesdays 6.10pm - 7.00pm at The Garage

Book your place here: <https://www.thegarage.org.uk/classes/>



Norfolk County Youth Choir is a choir for young people from across Norfolk. Open to young people from Year 6 upwards; there is no audition required, it is free to attend, and all you need to join is a love of singing and a desire to improve your skills.

This is a great way to reconnect with live singing; a relaxed and welcoming space to explore music, performance and share the fantastic benefits of singing together.

The Choir is free to attend but booking is required.