



# Brackenhill Primary School Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 6 – Rowan and Sequoia

Theme this half term: A World of Bright Ideas

Dear Parents & Carers,

We would like to wish you a warm welcome back after the summer break. It has already been a busy half term and the children have had the opportunity to learn about a landmark in Bradford – Cartwright Hall – and learn about its history and where it is. We'd like to take this opportunity to introduce the Year 6 staff:

Mrs Cockroft – Rowan Class Teacher

Mrs Shaikh – LSA

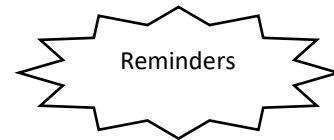
Mrs Maskeen – Sequoia Class Teacher

Miss Hussain - LSA

As we begin the new year, we would like to kindly remind you of the importance of reading at home with your child. The effect of reading just 20 minutes a day with your child has an astonishing effect on your child's reading.

Please also work with your child on their spelling (see below) and practise their 6, 7, and 8 times table.

Thank you for your continued support.



Reminders

PE Days: Sequoia – Wednesday      Rowan -Thursday

Times tables to practise at home: 6, 7, 8

Reading: Please can you ensure that your child is reading regularly at home. They should be aiming to finish at least 1 book a week so they can take an accelerated reader quiz in school.

Swimming – The girls will be going swimming on the following dates so can you please ensure they bring their swimming kit with them on these dates: 28<sup>th</sup> September and 5<sup>th</sup> October.

What will we be learning about and how can you help your child?

English: Alex Rider: Stormbreaker – You can help your child by reading a variety of action stories. You can watch the Stormbreaker film or TV series. Talk to your child about any famous spies you know about (James Bond, Johnny English) and any gadgets they used to use.

Maths: Place Value and the four operations – You can help your child by practising a range of different calculations with them. Set them some calculations and let them use a calculator to check their own work.

Science: Forces – Can your child find out 5 facts about Sir Isaac Newton? Can they find out what the following mean – pulley, gear, spring, resistance. Can they make a model of a gear or pulley?

Theme: DT – You can help you child by looking at a range of different things around your house and researching how they have evolved over time e.g. telephones, TVs, fridges etc. They can they interview parents, grandparents that remember life before mobile phones, Wifi etc.

Dance – Can your child find out what the Lindy Hop was. Let them watching some clips of people dancing from the 1920's. How is it different to dances they know now?

Dimensions Task:

This half term we are looking at ideas and inventions. Can you find out about a local manufacturer/business e.g. Seabrook's Crisps, Mumtaz, Morrisons, Safestyle UK, JCT600, Hallmark cards.

How did the business begin? How did it develop? What is it worth now?

Spellings for the half term

| WB 12-9-22 | WB 19-9-22 | WB 26-9-22 | WB 3-9-22 | WB 10-9-22 | 17-9-22 |
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| advice     | condemn    | build      | twelve    | advise     | castle  |
| device     | hymn       | built      | solve     | devise     | nestle  |
| practice   | solemn     | biscuit    | cave      | practise   | rustle  |
| licence    | column     | circuit    | delve     | license    | fasten  |
| prophecy   | autumn     | disguise   | valve     | prophecy   | listen  |

Word of the Week:

Ask your child what their word of the week is. What does it mean? Help them use it in a sentence.