

Livingstone Life! Year 6

Welcome to Year 6

We hope you had a fantastic summer break, regardless of the weather. It has been wonderful to see the students settling so well into Year 6 and so excited to learn. We have an incredible year ahead, packed with interesting learning, fun activities and trips - including the Year 6 residential.

The students will be sitting their SATS towards the end of the year; however, we will ensure that this is not the focus of all we do. This year is the opportunity to get them ready for secondary school and instill aspirations for the future.

Year 6 Team: Ms Schneider - Sycamore teacher Mr Perryman - Cedar teacher Mrs Paterson, Mrs Green, Mrs Freemantle - Support staff

Year 6 Residential

From 13th to 15th September, most of the Year 6 team will be on **residential**. If your child is attending the residential, you are invited to join a short meeting on **Thursday 7th September at 3.10pm** to discuss key information and ask any questions.

Students who are not going on residential will attend school as usual for an exciting three days of challenges and team building. This will include the opportunity to do some work experience,

supporting other classes around the school.



Maths

We will begin the year by revising and extending our place value knowledge - reading, writing, ordering and comparing numbers up to 10 million. We will also spend the term building on our knowledge of the four operations, learning effective mental and written methods to add, subtract, multiply and divide.

Students need to continue practising their times tables. All students have a Times Table Rockstar (TTRS) login for use at home and in school. Please let us know if your child needs a reminder of these.





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Reading and Writing

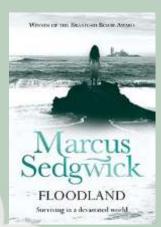
Our new class novel - voted for by the students at the end of last year - is Floodland by Marcus Sedgwick.

A gripping, prizewinning novel about a girl surviving in a devastated world.

Imagine that a few years from now England is covered by water, and Norwich is an island. Zoe, left behind in the confusion when her parents escaped, survives there as best she can. Alone and desperate among marauding gangs, she manages to dig a derelict boat out of the mud and gets away to Eels Island. But Eels

manages to dig a derelict boat out of the mud and gets away to Eels Island. But Eels Island, whose raggle-taggle inhabitants are dominated by the strange boy Dooby, is full of danger too. The belief that she will one day find her parents spurs Zoe on to a dramatic escape in a wonderful story of courage and

determination, set in the watery landscape of England as it could be a few years from now.



This book was the winner of the Branford Boase Award 2001 and marked the start of author Marcus Sedgwick's multi-award-winning career.

The students will be taking part in a range of lessons, reading and being read to, investigating the text, and conducting a number of written activities to develop their grammar and independent writing skills.

Other Areas of the Curriculum

In **Science**, students will be learning about **electricity**, recapping electrical circuits and investigating how to construct more complex

circuits. They will be using this knowledge as part of their **Design and Technology** project: to create a flood alarm system.

Our Humanities focus this term will be **Geography**. We will be learning about epic natural disasters and floods in particular, analysing how location, environmental and human factors have an impact on rising tides.

Year 6 have a full afternoon of PE on Mondays.

Please ensure students wear PE kit and trainers on this day and the correct school uniform on every other day.

We look forward to working in partnership with you and your child this year.

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