



Year 6 - Welcome Meeting





Meet the Team

Teachers

Miss Bailey / Miss Whitman
(AHT/YGL) (AHT)

Miss Risby
(English lead)

Miss Ayres
(Science lead)

Teaching Assistants

Mrs Smith
(HLTA)

Mrs Cranfiled
(HLTA / Learning Mentor)

Mrs Tubb
(HLTA)



Our Curriculum

Y6 Learning Journeys – 1 per term

- **Autumn:** *'Frozen In Time'*
- **Spring:** *'Walk like an Egyptain'*
- **Summer:** *'Blood, Bones & Body Bits'*



Autumn – Frozen in Time

France – 9th – 13th September

Bikeability- 16th – 20th & 23rd – 27th September

Climbing Wall- Wed 23rd October

- **AMEX - Wed 4th December**
- **Restart a heart – in school time**



English – Writing from France or a hobby
Scientific writing on own creature
Poetry
Setting description

Maths – 4 operations
Fractions
Percentages
Translation, symmetry & reflection

Science – Evolution & Forces

Geography – Mountains & Biomes



Spring – Walk Like an Egyptian

British Museum-

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Summer – Blood, Bones & Body Bits

- **SATS- 12th - 14th May 2025**
- **Chessington- May 2025**
- **House Charity Day– Summer Term TBC**
- **Production – w/b 7th July**
- **Leavers Assembly – 22nd July**



School Uniform



***Please,
name all
your
child's
clothes!***



PE Kit

**Please,
name all
your
child's
clothes!**



*When you
need a new
t-shirt,
please order
their house
colour!*



PE Days

Each class will have 2 PE sessions per week
1 indoor and 1 outdoor session:

Churchill: Monday (in) Friday (out)

Mandela : Monday (in) Tuesday (out)

Pankhurst : Tuesday (in) Wednesday (out)



Other Important Items

- Water bottle (not glass!)
- Waterproof coat
- No valuables
- No jewellery except small stud earrings, please!

***Please
ensure you
name all
your child's
items!***



Mobile Phones

- Must be turned off at school
- Locked in teacher's drawer in the morning, returned at 3.15
- Children only use:
 - PAST GEMS / FOREST VIEW





Social media

Avoid whole class chats

Know what your child is using

Know recommended ages

Phones not in bedrooms at night



Can you help?

Volunteers need Disclosure and Barring Service check

- Reading with children
- Helping with school trips (not with your child)
- Home School Association
- Special Events



Behaviour and Expectations

Our consistent whole school Behaviour Policy:

- Praise the positives
- Stages, clearly defined on behaviour policy
- Sanctions for repeated inappropriate behaviour
- Parents will be contacted for both positive and negative behaviour



Book Bags/Popper Wallets!

For letters/homework:

- £5 at school / on-line
- Cheaper popper wallet at stationery shop



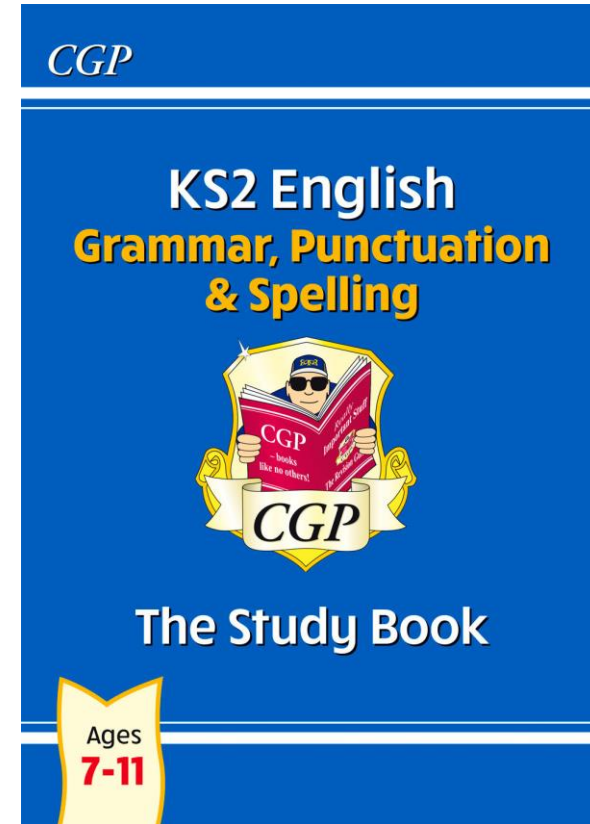
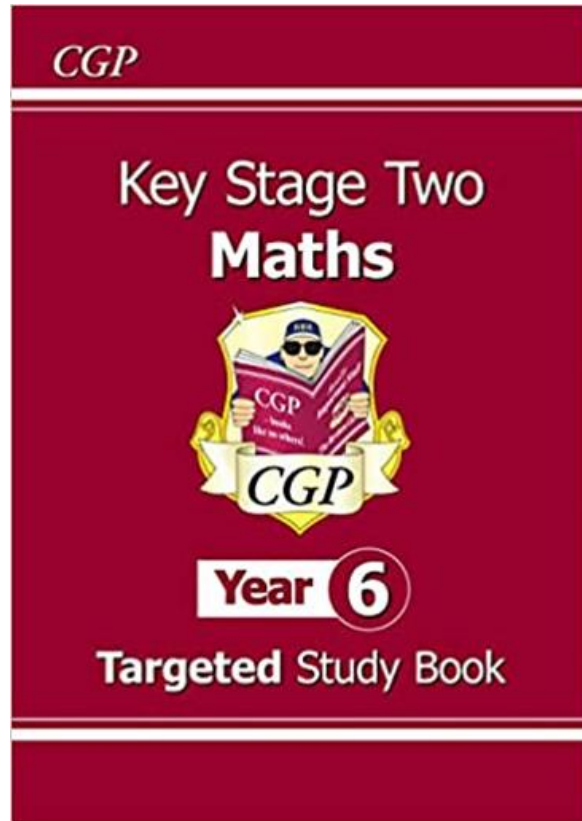


Home Learning Expectations

- Weekly English GPS and Maths Homework
- Set on Wednesday and marked on Wednesday
- **Completed on LBQ – your child will need access to an ipad/latop/phone to complete it**
- **Workings for maths in homework exercise book**



Work Books / Study Books



Please, keep at home and refer to them every week!

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Try to get into a routine – homework 2 separate days,
reading comments on 3 different days

Use Study Book

Email us if finding difficult – we will have taught it in
class in a previous week

Stick to the method we teach in maths (calculation
policy on school website)

Time tables – need to know all tables at speed – TTRS
/Hit the Button

Needed to do the arithmetic test 36 questions in 30
mins



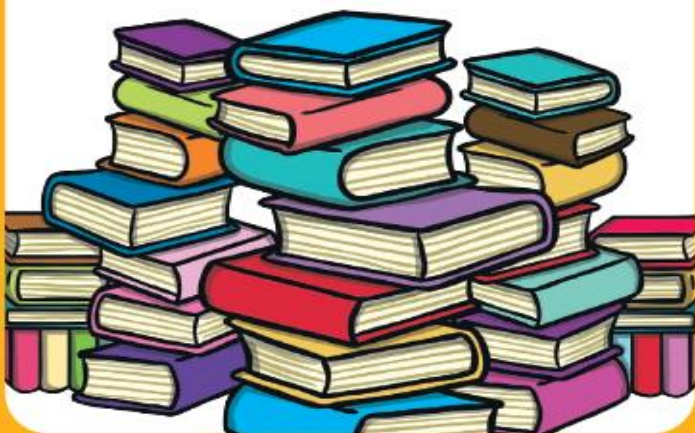
Reading Expectations

- Children should read at home as often as possible:
 - At least **3 times per week, on different days**
 - 100 book loan - come in every day in book bags
- Children should record 3 reading journal comments a week using the reading VIPERS:
 - We set and check weekly in groups (day in front of diaries)
 - Teacher sets 1, children choose 2

Reading Every Day Goes a Very Long Way

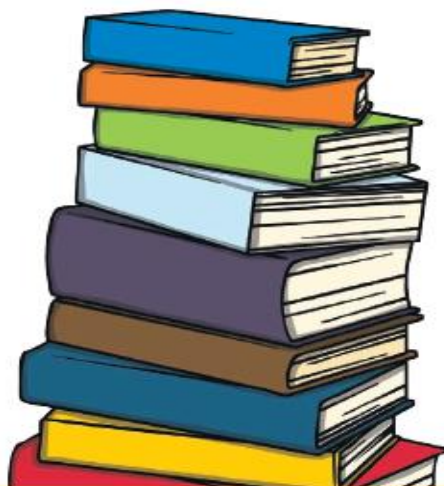
Student A Reads

- 20 minutes per day
- 3,600 minutes per school year
- 1,800,000 words per year



Student B Reads

- 5 minutes per day
- 900 minutes per school year
- 282,000 words per year



Student C Reads

- 1 minute per day
- 180 minutes per school year
- 8,000 words per year



Want to be a better reader? Read more!

20 is plenty!

Children who read for 20 minutes a day...



Will have a world of imagination & creativity opened to them



Will have better general knowledge



Will be exposed to 1.8 million words a year



Will improve critical thinking skills



Will improve their communication skills



Will have a broad vocabulary



Will have reduced stress levels



Will learn how to develop empathy



Will improve their test results






Spellings

- Spellings are taught daily and tested weekly
- Use spelling strategies



Spelling Strategies

Your child will be given a **double-sided A4 sheet** of spelling strategies to help support their home learning

<p>Drawing an image around the word</p>	<p>This strategy is all about making a word memorable. It links to meaning in order to try to make the spelling noticeable.</p>  <p>You can't use this method as your main method of learning spellings, but it might work on those that are just a little more difficult to remember.</p>
<p>Words without vowels</p>	<p>This strategy is useful where the vowel choices are the challenge in the words. Write the words without the vowels and pupils have to choose the correct grapheme to put in the space. For example, for the word <i>field</i>:</p> <p>f _ _ _ ld</p>
<p>Pyramid words</p>	<p>This method of learning words forces you to think of each letter separately.</p> <p>p py pyr pyra pyram pyrami pyramid</p> <p>You can then reverse the process so that you end up with a diamond.</p>
	<p>Other methods can include:</p>



Getting in touch

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Due to the teaching commitments of staff please allow 2 working days for a response.



Secondary Open Evenings

The Burgess Hill Academy – Thursday 10th October

Downlands – Thursday 3rd October 6- 8.30 pm

Warden Park – Thursday 12th September 5.15 – 8pm

St Paul's – Wednesday 11th September

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National Curriculum Tests

- When?
 - Week beginning **Monday, 12th May, 2025**
- What?
 - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS)
 - Reading
 - Maths Reasoning x2 , Arithmetic paper
- Writing is now Teacher Assessed across the year.
- **PLEASE DO NOT USE PAST PAPERS AT HOME for 2021 – 2024**



**Any questions?
Come and speak to us now in
our classrooms.**

Thank you!