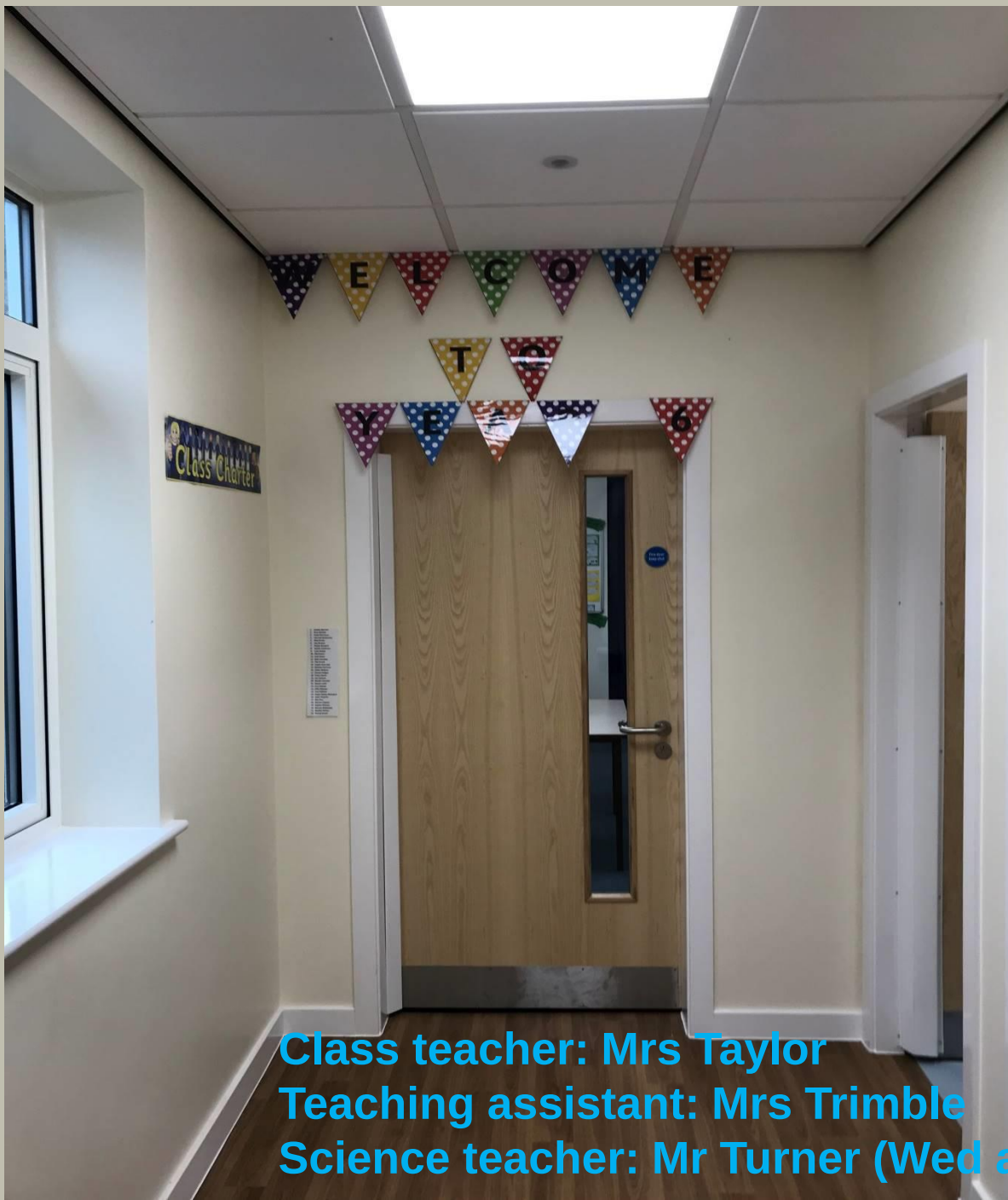




Hello and welcome to our lovely classroom in the new build and your child's final year at Chinley Primary School.

Class teacher: Mrs Taylor
Teaching assistant: Mrs Trimble
Science teacher: Mr Turner (Wed afternoon)

YEAR 6 'simplified' TIMETABLE AUTUMN TERM 2023/4

	08.50 – 09.25		09.25 - 10.40		10.55 – 12.00		13.00 – 13.30	13.30 – 15.15		
Monday	Assembly		Maths Spellings / SpaG	B	English	L	Reading activities	Computing	RE / German	Class novel
Tuesday	Assembly		Maths Spellings / SpaG	R	English	U	Reading activities	Trim trail	Music	Art / DT Class novel
Wednesday	PSHEE	Trim trail	Maths Spellings / SpaG	E	English	N	Reading activities	Science		Class novel
Thursday	PSHEE		Maths Spellings / SpaG	A	English	C	Handwriting	PE		Class novel
Friday	Homework & housekeeping	Trim trail	Maths Handwriting / SpaG	K	English	H	Spelling test & handwriting	Topic – History / Geography and Computing	Celebration assembly	Class novel

If your child is coming home shattered, a little grumpy and unwilling to tell you about their day then this is probably why (either that or the dreaded teenage hormones have kicked in already). We work extremely hard in Year 6 and our timetable is packed full of learning from the minute the children enter the classroom.

What we're learning

You can find more about our topics and the strands we are covering in each subject by going to the school website and clicking on our class page.

The annual planner is there along with a termly topic plan

<http://www.chinley.derbyshire.sch.uk/classes/year-6/>

Number: Place value including order and compare numbers to ten million; rounding numbers; negative numbers

Number: The four operations: Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

Science

Living things and their habitats

Evolution and inheritance

Geography

To find out what deserts are and where in the world they are located.

To investigate the weather and climate of deserts.

To find out about desert formations.

To find out how deserts are used by humans.

To find out about people who live in deserts and how they survive.

To find out about the causes and effects of desertification.

Computing

IT – Word Processing,
Presentations & Data

Class novel: *Holes* by Louis Sachar

Writing genres: Setting descriptions; character descriptions; newspaper reports; informal letters; diary entries; instruction writing

Grammar and punctuation foci: expanded noun phrases; passive/active voice; formal/informal language; subjunctive form; apostrophes for contraction; subordinating and coordinating conjunctions; semi-colons, dashes and colons; commas in lists; fronted adverbials; clause structure

Reading foci: inference; distinguishing between fact and opinion; language choice; retrieve and record information

YEAR 6 AUTUMN TERM 1

TOPIC: DESERTS

PE

Fitness training
Hockey

German

Germany
German phrases

R.E.

If God is everywhere,
why go to a place of worship?

PSHEE:

New beginnings, caring,
helpfulness, cooperation,
courage, kindness

Art and Design

2d drawing to 3d making

Music : Happy

Listen and appraise a
pop song.

Musical activities.

Sing and compose using
instruments.

This is our topic plan for this term – we have a lot to cover in 7 short weeks.



MyMaths.co.uk

Homework

Topic based learning on Study Ladder (2 activities) and maths (1 activity) on MyMaths set EVERY Friday. Completion by Wednesday.

Spellings set on Monday with test on Friday. Spellings will be sent home on Parent Hub every Monday.

Expectations:

Study Ladder 20 mins maximum
Maths 20 mins maximum

Study*ladder*
Inspire Motivate Achieve



As one of my objectives in Year 6 is to prepare children for their transition to High School, I do penalise them if they do not do their homework (just like the High Schools do). They will receive a breaktime detention but of course there are always exceptions to the rule – just drop me an email if your child has had a very hectic weekend or your internet is down etc.

Reading

It is vital that your child reads regularly at home. Please listen to them at least once a week.

They have an age appropriate book in class but also need an age appropriate book to read at home.

A great website for finding age appropriate books is:

<https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/>

Year 6 assessments



13th – 16th May 2024

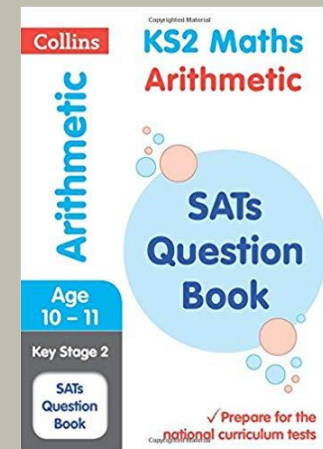
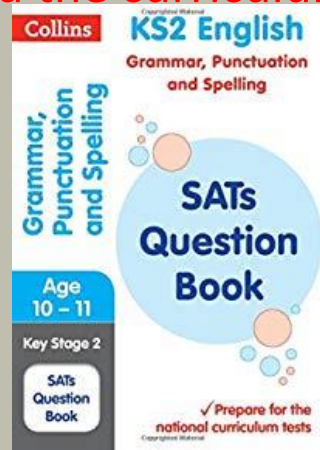
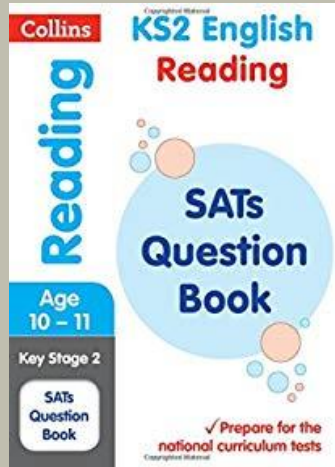
- MATHS – 1 arithmetic (30 minutes) and 2 reasoning papers (40 minutes)
- READING – will focus more on fictional texts (1 hour)
- SPELLING, PUNCTUATION AND GRAMMAR (1 hour)
- There is no writing paper in ENGLISH – that is teacher assessed. There is still however a reading test and a spelling, punctuation and grammar test. (SPAG).

It is nothing for your child to stress about – we do so many rehearsals that they are totally comfortable with them by the time the real ‘quizzes’ take place. We offer a breakfast club where the children all gather a little earlier than normal and enjoy a feast – they are usually more bothered about whether it’s croissants or bacon butties than the assessments!

Ways to support your child and help them prepare for assessments

The number 1 way you can help your child by ensuring that homework is completed **EVERY** week.

You may wish to purchase revision guides to help. I have found the following to be good... But don't start them until the EASTER holidays because we won't have covered the curriculum until then



THE NICE BITS....

Ancient Egypt topic and Science visit

Tuesday 6th December (music teachers and school dinners will be informed)

Weston Park Museum, Sheffield



Law and Order visit – Manchester Police Museum

As well as learning about the history of policing, we also role play a true court case in a specially created courtroom. The children adopt the roles including that of the judge, barristers, jury, witnesses, the accused and the victims to understand the judicial process..

Friday 1st March



Bikeability

We have pencilled this in for June (w/b 10th June) once SATS are out of the way. This is a cycle training programme and is about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle safely on today's roads



If your child can't yet ride a bike, it would be good to get practising on some safe cycle trails soon. They will need a road-worthy bike (some borrow from each other) and a helmet.

World War Two Day

Date to be confirmed -
some time in March
when we complete our
topic. Costumes will be
required and possibly a
'ration lunch' if your
child is having
sandwiches.



Lea Green Residential

3rd and 4th June

Departing about 8.45am on Monday and returning approximately 5pm on Tuesday.

Activities the children took part in this June included:

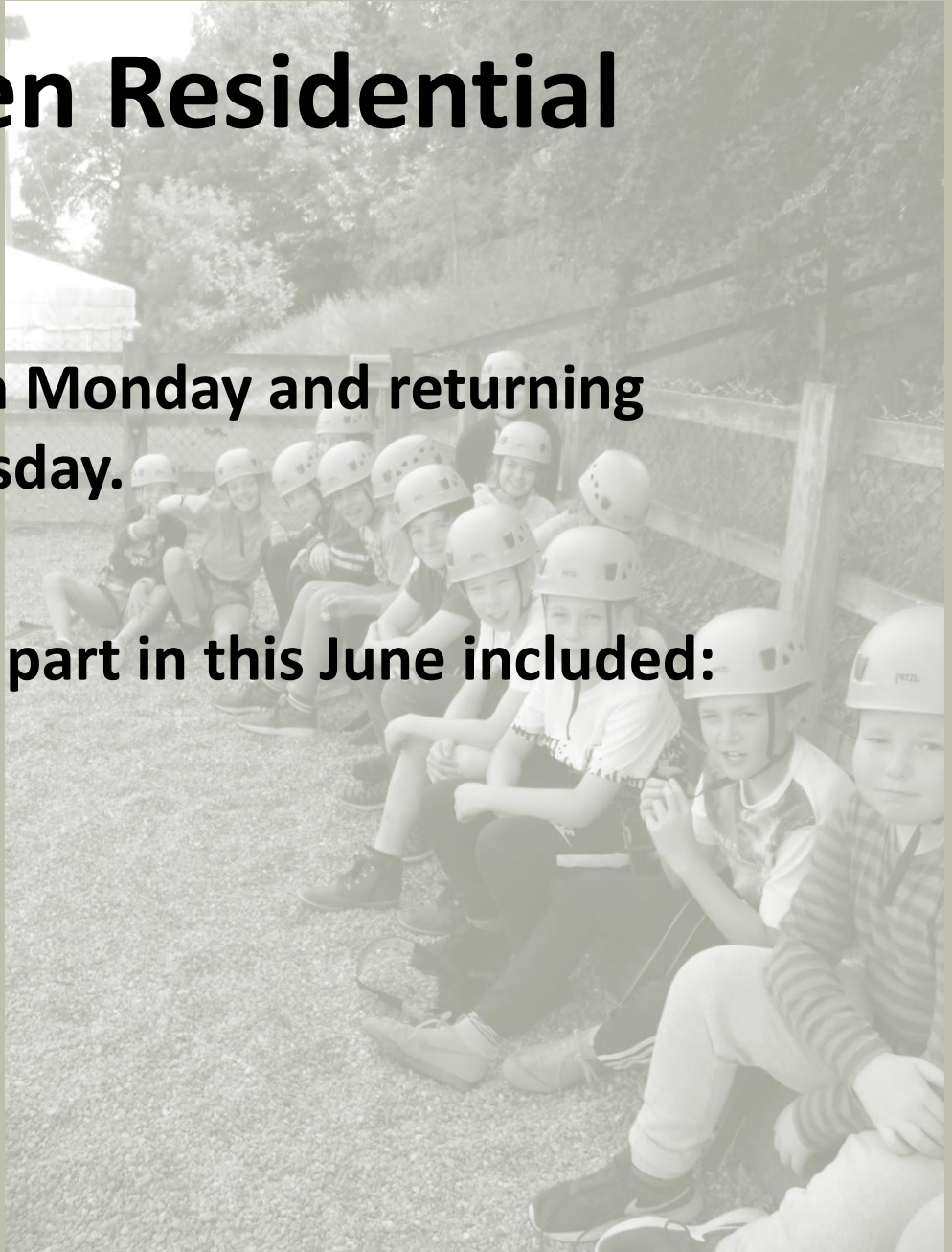
Canoeing

High Ropes

Orienteering

Assault Course

Buggies



Apply for a school place

We deal with admissions for places at primary, infant, junior and secondary schools.

Before you make your application, you should read the information provided by the [Department for Education school admissions](#) .

Share this page  

Look out for all the open days / evenings and prospectus coming home.

Applications are open from 15th September for 2024 start. The closing date for applications is usually the end of October.

Any questions?

The best way to contact me is to email our class email address which is:

year6@chinley.derbyshire.sch.uk

or telephone any time (I am in school from 08.00 until at least 17.00) if you have any issues or concerns.

Please don't use the email to pass on daily messages e.g. "Such and such is picking up my child today." I don't always have time to look at class emails during school time. In those kind of events please ring the school office and they'll phone a message down to me.