



Applecroft School

Nurturing Potential, Inspiring Minds, Changing Lives

Year 6

Welcome Meeting



Staffing

Year Group Leader: Juliet Keefe

Class Teachers:

Warhol - Mrs Juliet Keefe (Mon-Thurs) and Mrs Claire Rolph (Fri)

Moore - Miss Georgia Yates

Learning Support Assistants: Mrs Fiona Parnham and Miss Sarah Edlin

Mrs Emily Hull - Cover Supervisor

Mrs Vikki Wake & Mr Adam Thomas - PPA Leads





Staffing

Other Important Staff:

Rhiannon Kerry - Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion & Well-Being (also our SENDCo)

Lisa Withe - Headteacher

Paul Wyatt - Deputy Headteacher

Gill Williams & Odette Coe - Finance Team but also our main first aiders



The School Day

6 Warhol



Our timetables are on GC and on the website

Soft start: 8.45am

Register: 8.55am

Break: 10.45am - 11.00am

Lunch: 12.15pm - 1.15pm

Home Time: 3.15pm

6 Moore



Y6 Warhol Timetable Autumn 2021

	8.45-9.15	9.15-10.25	10.25-10.45	10.45-11.00	11.00-12.15	12.15-1.15	1.15-2.00	2.00-2.15 (Approx)	2.15-3.00	3.00-3.15
Monday	Reg EMW SP	English +Whole Class Guided Reading	Assembly	Break	Maths GY Non-contact VW to cover	Lunch	Music	TDM	Monday Me/PSHE GY Non-contact VW to cover	Story
Tuesday	Reg EMW HW	Maths	Assembly	Break	English	Lunch	Science	TDM	Science	Story
Wednesday	Reg EMW MF	Maths	Assembly	Break JK	English +Whole Class Guided Reading	Lunch	Topic/Art and Design		PE cricket	
Thursday	Reg EMW HW	Maths	Music Assembly of Musical Instruments Reading Q2	Break	English +Whole Class Guided Reading	Lunch	RE Y6 PPA VW to cover	TDM	Computing Y6 PPA AT to cover	
Friday CR in Warhol	Reg EMW SP	English Spelling	French	Assembly	Break	Maths	PE		Topic/Art and Design	

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What are our priorities in Year 6?

This is a transition year where we will work together to make sure every child in Year 6 is as well prepared as possible for the next exciting step - secondary school.

We expect pupils to work hard, engage in their learning, ask questions and complete home learning tasks regularly. They will be encouraged to make the most of opportunities to contribute and learn, developing skills which will help them reach their potential.

We want pupils to enjoy their last year at Applecroft. Although there is much to learn and they will have important end of year assessments, we plan to provide a broad and rich curriculum. We hope we will continue to help make happy memories for all our pupils.

We want pupils to grow in confidence, develop leadership and become increasingly independent learners.





Supporting your child to be 'ready to learn'

Punctuality - Please ensure your children are in school by 8.55am as they will miss early morning work if late.

Attendance - We aim for 100%. We don't authorise holidays during the term. We ask that routine dentist & doctor appointments take place out of the school day whenever possible.



School Uniform

School Uniform - must be labelled. Long hair tied back and hair ties in school colours. Black school shoes, not trainers. No jewellery allowed other than a pair of small stud earrings.

P.E kit: Trainers should be in school every day for the Daily Mile. PE kits should be worn to school on **Wednesdays and Fridays**.

Art shirts: Please ensure your child has their own art shirt in school to be kept in their locker.



Year 6 Kit List

The children need the following items and all equipment and clothing must be named. Many of these items can be bought quite cheaply from our school shop (open daily) or uniform shop.

PE Kit:

White T-shirt

Black shorts

House T-shirt

Trainers

Black joggers (for cold weather)

Black hooded school sweatshirt (optional)

Kit bag

Art shirt

Pencil Case:

HB pencils

Sketching pencils (e.g. 3b)

Coloured pencils

Black handwriting pens

Rubber

Pencil sharpener

30cm transparent ruler

Scissors

Protractor

Calculator

Glue stick

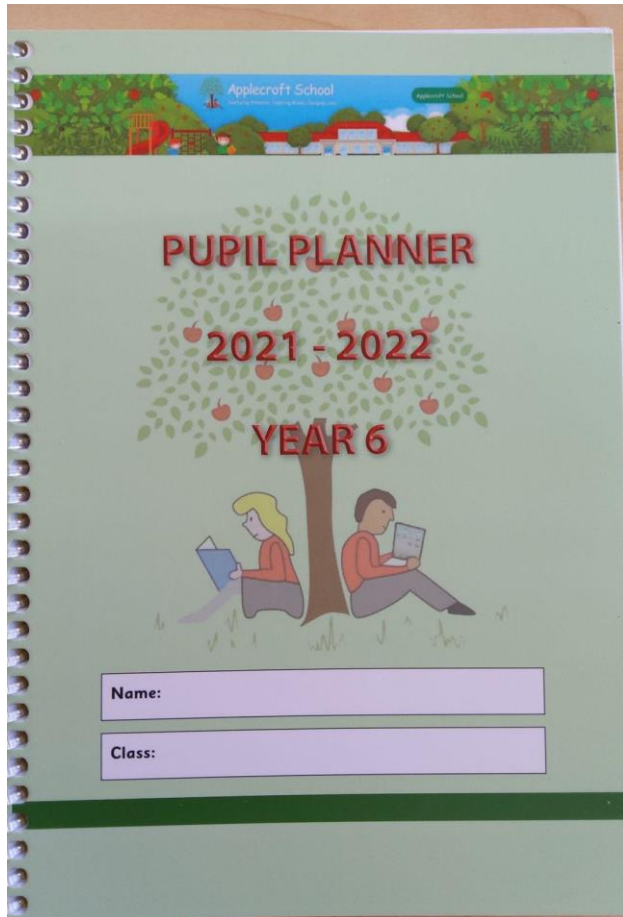
Pair of compasses (optional)

Water colours (optional)

Highlighters (optional)



School Planners



Planners have been given to all children and contain a wealth of information, including spellings, topic vocabulary, the 7 Habits, maps and much, much more. These must be in school everyday.

The children need to record their reading and home learning on a daily basis and we ask that you sign the planners every week to show that you have seen them. We do encourage independence in our Y6 children and this is good preparation for secondary school.



Reading

We are aiming for all children to be independent, fluent readers and daily reading at home is very much at the heart of this. Children can read books from school or from home with a focus on developing a love of reading.

We use the Pie Corbett Spine Book list as recommended reads and the children are encouraged to give each book a star rating once they have read it.

We are reading Fireweed and River Boy as our class readers so we would prefer them not to choose these for their independent reading.





Communication Between Home and School

We will have 2 scheduled consultations, one in the autumn term (next week) and one in the spring term. You will have a choice to either do this face-to-face or via Google Classroom. We might contact you at other times if we have concerns about your child.

In an emergency, you can contact us via the school office.

You can use the Y6 email address if it is not an urgent matter - please note that we do not always have time to read emails during the school day.

If you would like to book an appointment to see us, we are usually free on Mondays after school.

We will also send messages via Google Classroom, Twitter and year group emails.



Home Learning

Most home learning will be set on Google Classroom (see timetable below). The due date for each piece is clearly visible on the assignment and the children need to avoid work slipping into their missing list. If they check their 'to do' list on a regular basis, this should not happen. If a child has a number of pieces missing, we will ask them to complete some of their work on Chromebooks, possibly at break times. If they have an issue with any assignment, then please encourage them to write a comment to us and hand in the work. We can then reply, give advice or support, and return it for them to resubmit if appropriate.

Subject	Day it will be set	Day it is due in
English	Monday	Monday
Science	Tuesday	Tuesday
Maths	Wednesday	Monday
Topic/Art: 2-3 pieces every half term		

Home learning in Y6 should last between 30 and 60 minutes depending on the task.



Behaviour and Discipline Policy

Applecroft School's Expectations of Behaviour:

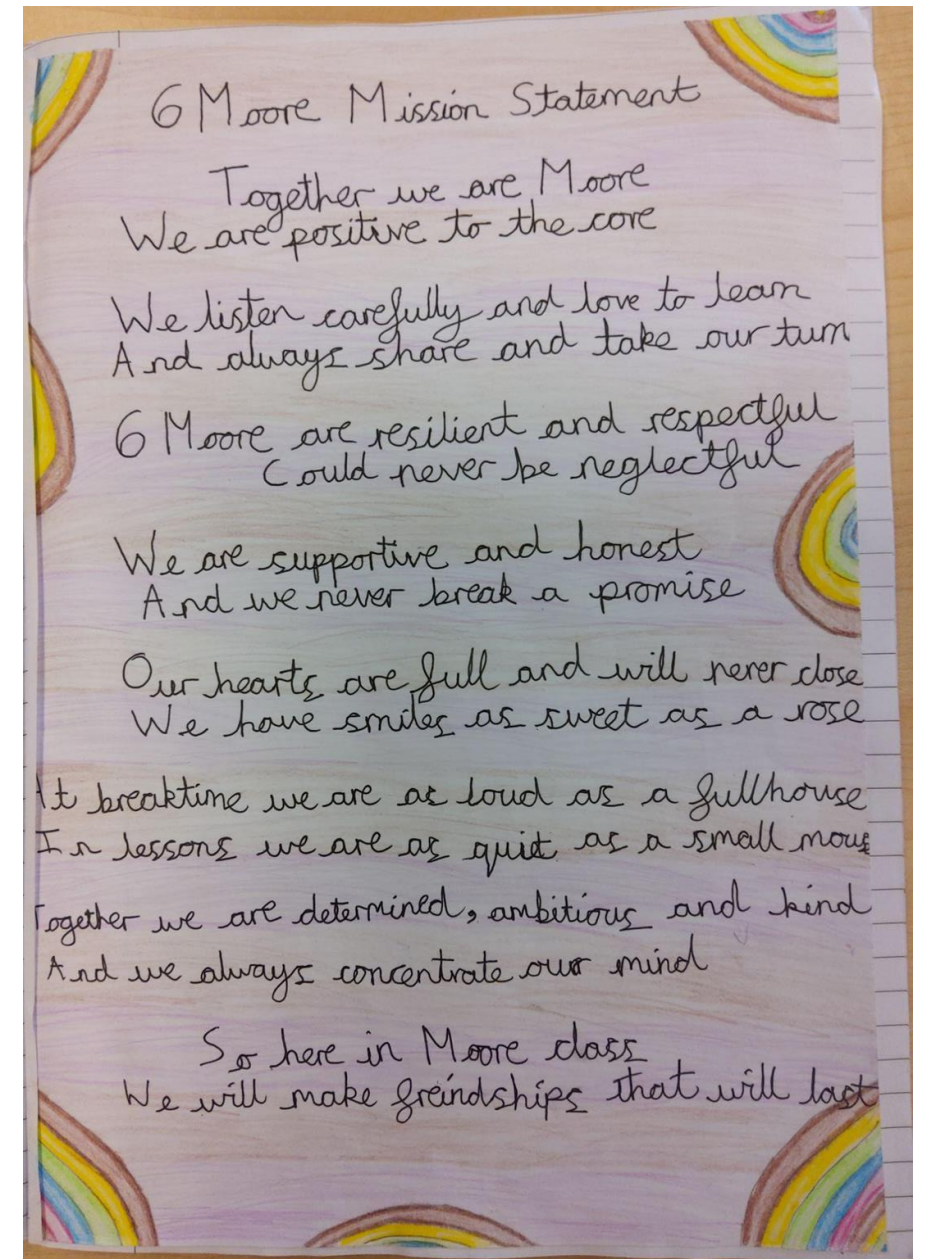
At Applecroft School we have clear 'Expectations of Behaviour' that we expect all members of our community to abide by. These expectations are:

- Be responsible for yourself and your actions
- Be honest, open and reflective
- Be kind and supportive
- Be respectful and well-mannered

In addition to the overarching school's 'Expectations of Behaviour', individual classes create their own Class Mission Statement at the beginning of each academic year which is displayed in the classroom and on the classroom door and forms part of the children's Leader in Me and PSHE curriculum in the first half-term.

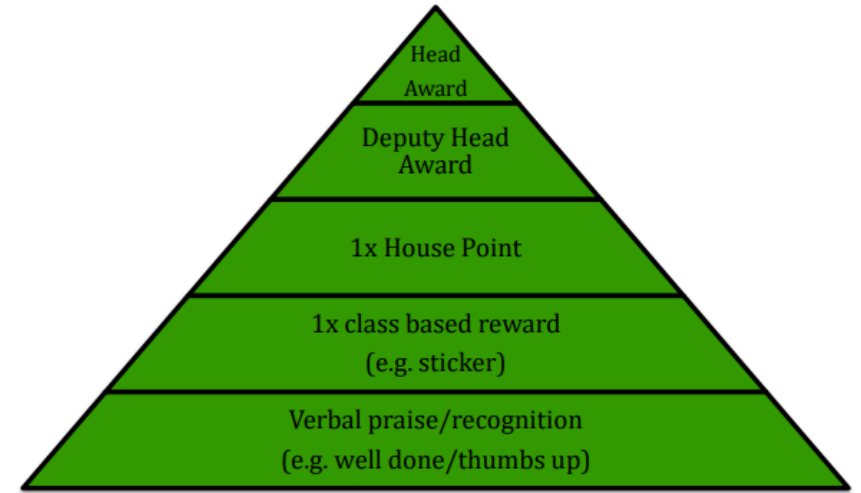
This applies to our whole community.

Class Mission Statements





Good To Be Green



The green triangle shows the daily 5-point system used to recognise pro-social behaviour in school. The children are able to move up the triangle by showing pro-social behaviours and demonstrating the school's shared values. If a child moves 'up the green' they do so by moving their name label onto the appropriate level of the triangle. At the end of each day all children are re-set to the bottom of the triangle again. Rewards for the class and the houses can be won and if the children reach level 4 or 5 of the triangle they can visit the Deputy Head or Headteacher for a special reward.

On Google Classroom, children have the opportunity to earn a range of 'up the green' frogs for effort demonstrated in their home learning and we also use a frog stamp when marking work.

This all works in partnership with the 'Good to be Green' chart and the red triangle for anti-social behaviour. For more details, the Behaviour Policy is on the school website.



Parent Volunteers

We are hoping to be able to welcome back our wonderful parent volunteers this year. If you are interested in supporting the children in school you will need to attend one of the two planned volunteer meetings:

Monday 4th October @ 2:30pm

or

Tuesday 5th October @ 9:00am



Secondary Transfer



Please visit the secondary school websites or contact their offices for details of visits.

If your child will not be in school due to a secondary visit please let the office know so absence can be authorised.

The Hertfordshire's online application system is open now and closes on 31st October (see link below).

[Secondary School Places](#)



Important Dates

September 20th : Young Shakespeare Day

September 21st : School Photographer

W/C September 27th : Parent consultations

October 4th -8th : PGL

October 25th -29th : Half term

November 10th : World War 2 Day

W/C November 15th : Themed Week: Wellbeing

November 24th : Visit to Kidzania

December 3rd : Christmas Panto

December 7th : Christmas Show matinee and evening performance

December 9th : Christmas Show evening performance

December 14th : Open Afternoon

December 16th : Christmas Lunch

December 18th : End of term

SATs



The key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 9th May to Thursday 12th May 2022.

Children will sit a tests in:

Reading
Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling
Arithmetic
Maths Problem Solving (2 papers)

Writing will be assessed using teacher assessment of pupils' writing over the course of the year in a variety of forms.



PGL Trip to Brecon, Powys

Monday 4th to Friday 8th October 2021

This is a much anticipated trip as children will have the opportunity to experience adventurous activities that they may not have tried before. It is also a good way to get to know each other better and for them to develop friendships. More information, including a kit list has been sent home (no hairdryers). Please also see the following link:

[Tregoyd House](#)

We will take lots of photos which you will be shared with you later in the year.



Any Questions?

