POWNALL GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS



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YEAR SIX CURRICULUM

Year 6 Staff Team

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Dear Parents

At Pownall Green we believe in creating the foundations on which children can build their futures. A love for learning starts early and our innovative approach captures this and enables our children to grow into confident, independent, successful and happy individuals.

Our creative curriculum equips children with the knowledge, understanding and basic skills they will need as they continue their learning journey through primary school and beyond. We place great emphasis on the parallel development of children's Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills, firmly believing that these are fundamental in enabling them to achieve success in all aspects of their future lives in our rapidly changing world.

We provide a creative and stimulating learning environment within which we expect our learners to aim for and achieve the highest possible standards in all they do. Ours is a happy, vibrant and successful school community.

The purpose of this booklet is to give you a summary of the curriculum that your child will follow throughout this year as well as outlining some of the day-to-day arrangements for the year group.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher

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DAY-TO- DAY ARRANGEMENTS

The school day

Start of morning session	EYFS and KS1 8:35am – 8:45am KS2 – 8:40am - 8:50am
Morning register closes	EYFS and KS1 8:45am KS2 – 8:50am
Start of afternoon session and close of registration	EYFS - 12:45pm KS1 - 12:50pm KS2 – 1:15pm
End of day	EYFS and KS1 - 3:15pm KS2 - 3:20pm

For this year group:

• Homework: set on a Thursday to be handed in on a Tuesday

Spelling test: Tuesday

• PE days are: Wednesday and Thursday

Attendance

If your child is unwell, the best place for him/her is home. Parents are requested to inform school at the earliest opportunity of the reason for their child's absence via telephone. The benefit of consistent, regular and punctual attendance is a full access to the curriculum and we seek for a partnership with families to promote a positive attitude to this. Parents are requested to avoid term time holidays in order to cause as little disruption as possible to their child's education. Only in exceptional circumstances may permission be granted for absence during term time.

Medicines

If a child requires medication but is well enough to attend school, parents/carers should bring the medicine, clearly labelled with the child's name and class to the school office. Medicines which are to be given three times per day need not be brought to school since they may be administered before school, after school and before bedtime. Medicines to be given four times per day may be brought to school for a midday dose to be administered. Asthma medication should be given to the teacher for safe, accessible storage. The Headteacher and class teacher should always be informed when a child has asthma and/or needs to have an inhaler in school to enable an appropriate level of care.

Mobile Phones

Children who travel unaccompanied to and from school may carry a phone in case of emergency but once in school, these must be turned off and handed to the class teacher for safekeeping. Phones are returned at the end of the day and should not be switched on until they have left the school campus.

Security arrangements

If anyone other than a parent/carer or their regular, known representative is to collect your child from school, you must advise the class teacher in the morning of the day in question, and prior to collection. Children will not be released to anyone else without such notice. If this is to be a regular arrangement, please inform the class teacher so you do not have to inform on each occasion.

Safequarding

At our school safeguarding encompasses child protection, safer recruitment, as well our approach to the Child-In-Need process. It is also supported by our approach to behaviour management, our response to managing bullying, our response to care and control, our response to children who are absent from school and our health and safety procedures. Throughout our work we have a clear commitment to supporting families. In line with the duty placed on us by section 175 of the Education Act 2002, we work well in partnership with parents/carers and any other appropriate agencies to promote the welfare of our children.

Ever	ything that is brought in to school including all school uniform MUST BE NAMED
Standard	Grey pinafore dress / skirt
Uniform	Gold embroidered sweatshirt / cardigan
	Short sleeved embroidered yellow polo shirt
	Grey tights
	Grey/white socks
	A warm outdoor coat (embroidered fleeces and waterproof coats are available)
	Summer dress in yellow/white check
	Classic cut grey shorts
Footwear	Flat, black, plain school shoes or ankle boots. Boots must not be 'UGG' style and
	should not come above the ankle
	Trainers should not be worn.
	Wellington boots may be worn to school but children must have their school shoes
	to change in to.
Swimming Kit	 Swimming trunks or swimming costume and swimming cap (from Y3 upwards)
	Towel
	Goggles are not required unless there is a medical need
PE	T shirt in house colour (red, blue, green, yellow), this can be with the school logo or
	plain (no other logos permitted)
	Black shorts / cycling shorts / skorts
	Black unbranded tracksuit top and bottoms for outdoor PE
	Plimsolls/trainers
Other Options	Brown Book Bag for EYFS/KS1 (optional)
	Bags need to be small enough to fit in to their locker.
Jewellery, Hair	The wearing of jewellery is not appropriate for school and is not permitted except
and Make Up	when it is worn for religious reasons.
	If your child has pierced ears then studs may be worn. No other type of earring is
	acceptable due to health and safety reasons. Children must be able to remove
	them themselves in order to take part in PE lessons or covered with medical tape.
	A watch may be worn. This must not have GPS, camera, messaging or calling
	capability. Must be removed for PE and Food Technology.
	Extreme hairstyles are not appropriate for school. For health and safety reasons
	and to ensure it does not distract from learning, we advise that long hair be tied
	back with a bobble. It must be tied back for PE if it is longer than shoulder length
	and other activities where there is a health and safety element. Any plain clips and
	hairbands must be discreet and only used to secure hair away from the face.
	 Children should not wear make-up and should not have their nails painted. They should not wear false nails.
Sun protection	
Juli protection	 Sun tan lotion to be applied at home (All day recommended). Children must bring named sun hats in for sunny weather.
	 Children must bring named sun hats in for sunny weather. Optional named sunglasses.
	 Optional named sunglasses. Named water bottle.
Uniform	
	Jumpers/cardigans should not be tied around waists.
presentation	

Home-school communication

The weekly newsletter will be sent out on Friday and will be the main method of communication for upcoming events and celebration of school life.

Teaching staff are available at the end of the school day for brief conversations (please note teachers have a staff meeting at 3:30pm on Wednesdays and Senior Leaders have a meeting on Tuesdays at 3:30pm). Appointments for longer discussion can be made by mutual agreement. Please feel free to email teachers via the admin email address and mark FAO. Teachers will endeavour to get back to you within 3 working days of receiving an email. Teachers do not routinely check their emails during the day, for urgent messages please contact the school office e.g. please do not send going-home arrangements to this address.

The Parents Page on the Website www.pownallgreen.co.uk

Our Parents page on the website also includes copies of the latest letters, notices, PTA information, uniform information as well as copies of all forms for you to print off and complete at home. The parents page also has useful information about how to support your child's learning in key areas.

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Year 6 Curriculum Overview

	Term 1a	Term 1b	Term 2a	Term 2b	Term 3a	Term 3b	
Science	Evolution and Living things and inheritance their habitats		Light Electricity		Animals inc Humans		
History				A theme beyond 1066: Crime and Punishment		Local history study Quarry Bank Mill	
Geography	South America Biomes		Distribution of natural resources Sustainability		Local geography study Quarry Bank Mill		
Art	Drawing Yellena James		Sculpture Sayaka Ganz Photography		Painting LS Lowry Watercolours		
DT		Marble runs		Steady hand game		Healthy snacks	
Computing	E-Safety – using technology safely, respectfully and responsibly. Survey and Excel/PowerPoint/ Green screening presentation		E-Safety – Time online/passwords Understanding the internet, collecting data and presenting the findings.		E-Safety — Cyberbullying Scratch		
PSHE	Social media Seeking hea Diets in t The media an Preventina First Aid – Unrespon	orry and wellbeing alth support he media d body image g early use sive – breathing/not thing	Puberty and reproduction Understanding relationships (consent/peer on peer abuse) Conception and pregnancy Communicating in relationships (consent/peer on peer abuse) Growing and changing summative assessment Making friends online (consent/peer on peer abuse/sexual harassment) Similarities and differences in our identity Gender stereotypes and gender expectations Recognising and challenging stereotypes		The rights of a child – cultural practice and British Law Being British Democracy and Rule of Law How does money affect my feelings? The impact of 'debt' Sustainable development Transition – Feelings and common anxieties about starting secondary school		
RE	What do religions say to us when life gets hard?		What can be done to reduce racism? Can religion help?		Green religion? How and why should religious communities do more to care for the Earth?		
PE	Gym Games	Dance Games	Gym Dance Games Games			nnis Athletics	
Music	Unit 1 Charanga Happy		Unit 4 Charanga You've Got a Friend		Unit 5 Charanga Music and Me		
French	At so	chool	The weekend		Healthy Lifestyles		

Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills

Independent	Creative	Team	Self	Effective participators	Reflective
enquirers	thinkers	workers	managers		learners
 Be clear what you want to find out, what the purpose is and who it is for Combine information from different sources Organise the information to suit the purpose and audience Choose how to record information clearly to suit the audience and purpose 	 Think outside the box Develop your ideas and think them through Use your imagination to solve problems and be creative Experiment with and invent new ways of doing things Take risks and see opportunities in mistakes 	 Develop ways for everyone to take part equally Decide what needs to be done and agree roles Take responsibility for your role in a group Be willing to help others with their learning Work with classmates to reach agreements and work out disagreements 	 Be prepared and organised Show commitment and perseverance throughout a task. Learn to manage your own time Manage your emotions and behaviour in different situations Growth mindset: show resilience over a period of time 	 Be aware of issues affecting others in school Be aware of issues that affect others in the local community Be aware of issues that affect others in the world See yourself as a global citizen 	 Identify 'what went well' and 'even better if' without the support of the teacher Correct and improve your work Work towards your own personal targets Identify knowledge and skills that can be transferred to other situations

ENGLISH

Reading

Reading is taught through three complementary approaches:

- Whole class book club As a class, children read and discuss full novels from our Book Club spine developing their reading skills and fluency. This takes place 3 times a week.
- Guided reading Children develop comprehension skills and fluency through reading high-quality. carefully chosen extracts from a range of non-fiction, poetry, classic and contemporary fiction. This takes place once a week.
- Reading for Pleasure Children choose their own books from our well-stocked school and class libraries or bring in a suitable text from home. They have time in class to read for pleasure.

Writing

We aim to create a community of writers who are passionate about their learning. We do this through providing opportunities for children to write in different genres and for a range of audiences and purposes.

Handwriting

We have adopted a continuous cursive handwriting style, using an established scheme called LetterJoin. There is one pupil log in for all pupils and you can access your specific year group to practise this.

Pupil Log In www.letterjoin.co.uk

IPad and Tablet Log-in

User name: dw5439

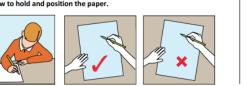
Swipe code: A capital 'L' shape starting at top left.

Desktop log-in

User name: dw5439 Account Password: home

Comfortable Sitting Position and Correct Paper Position Letter-join ∕







Spelling

We teach spelling weekly using the Spelling Shed scheme. Children are allocated weekly word lists via Google Classroom as part of their homework to practice spelling patterns. They should practise the word list using the Spelling Shed app. Children will be tested on these spelling on a **Tuesday**.

In addition to learning spelling patterns children are expected to learn to spell common exception words (Y1 and Y2) and Statutory word lists (Y3-Y6). Please see below.

Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1			Year 2				
the	they	one		door	gold	plant	clothes
α	be	once		floor	hold	path	busy
do	he	ask		poor	told	bath	people
to	me	friend		because	every	hour	water
today	she	school		find	great	move	again
of	we	put		kind	break	prove	half
said	no	push		mind	steak	improve	money
says	go	pull		behind	pretty	sure	Mr
are	so	full		child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
were	by	house		children	after	eye	parents
was	my	our		wild	fast	could	Christmas
is	here			climb	last	should	everybody
his	there			most	past	would	even
has	where			only	father	who	
I	love			both	class	whole	
you	come			old	grass	any	
your	some		twinkl .	cold vww.twinkl.co.uk	pass	many	

Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings

accident	calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight
accidentally	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
actual	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actually	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
address	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
although	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	increase	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	important	often	quarter	thought
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	through
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	various
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	weight
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	woman
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	women
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	



Years 5 and 6 **Statutory Spellings**

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Αα
accommodate
accompany
according
achieve
aggressive
amateur
ancient
apparent
appreciate
attached
available
average
awkward

Bb bargain bruise

Cc category cemetery committee communicate community competition conscience conscious controversy convenience correspond criticise curiosity

Dd definite desperate determined develop dictionary disastrous

Еe

embarrass environment equipment equipped especially exaggerate excellent existence explanation

Ff familiar foreign forty frequently

Gg government guarantee

Hh harass

hindrance

Ιi identity immediate immediately individual interfere interrupt

Ll language leisure lightning

Mm marvellous mischievous muscle

Nn

necessary neighbour nuisance

Oo оссири occur opportunity

Pp parliament persuade physical prejudice privilege profession programme pronunciation

Qq queue Rr

recognise recommend relevant restaurant rhyme rhythm

Ss sacrifice secretary shoulder signature sincere sincerely soldier stomach sufficient suggest symbol

system

temperature thorough twelfth

Vν variety vegetable

Υy yacht

vehicle



MATHEMATICS

Mathematics is taught through daily dedicated mathematic lessons but is also reinforced in other curriculum areas. The skills of number, shape, space, measure and handling data are all taught and practised throughout the year. The use and application of mathematics is developed at the same time through investigations, puzzles and problem solving.

The key learning objectives for Year 6 are to:

- Use negative numbers to calculate intervals across zero
- Divide numbers using long division, interpreting the remainders as appropriate
- Use order of operations (BODMAS) to carry out calculations
- Use common factors to simplify fractions and compare and order fractions of any size
- Add and subtract fractions with different denominators and mixed numbers
- Multiply simple pairs of proper fractions
- Divide proper fractions by whole numbers
- Calculate decimal fraction equivalents for simple fractions
- Multiply a number with up to two decimal places by whole numbers
- Use written division with answers of up to two decimal places
- Solve problems involving the calculation of percentages
- Recall and use equivalences between fractions, decimals and percentages
- Solve problems using ratio using multiplication and division facts
- Solve problems involving similar shapes where the scale factor is known
- Solve problems involving proportion, using knowledge of fractions and multiples
- Use simple formulae and describe linear number sequences
- Express missing number problems algebraically
- Convert units of measure between smaller and larger units and between miles and kilometres
- Calculate the area of parallelograms and triangles
- Calculate and compare volume of cubes and cuboids
- Illustrate and name parts of a circle
- Finding missing angles in triangles, quadrilaterals and regular polygons
- Describe positions on the co-ordinate grid and translate and reflect shapes
- Construct and interpret pie charts
- Calculate the mean as an average

Feedback

Providing children individual feedback is essential if they are to make good progress. Feedback occurs at one of three common stages in the learning process:

- 1. Immediate feedback at the point of learning
- 2. Summary feedback at the end of a lesson/task
- 3. Review feedback away from the point of learning

Feedback closest to the point of teaching and learning is likely to be most effective. We place considerable emphasis on immediate feedback that changes the course of the lesson. Summary feedback may take place at the end of the lesson and may involve children self/peer-assessing and editing in purple pen. Review feedback that takes place after the lesson is given in Dedicated Improvement and Reflection Time (DIRT) and replaces traditional marking. During a DIRT, the teacher leads a guided feedback session to which the children respond in purple pen, identifying what has gone well and their own next steps. Children may also make improvements their work and deepen their learning through further challenges.

Achievement and attainment

We have high expectations of your child's educational achievement and personal qualities. The judgements about performance throughout the year are based on teacher assessments, against age-related expectations of the National Curriculum appropriate to the year group your child is in at present. Teacher assessments in all subjects are informed by continuous assessment during the whole year and takes account of evidence from observations, children's work and school-based tests and tasks.

Statutory assessments

Below are is a list of statutory assessments that take place in all state schools across the country. These will be discussed further at the curriculum meeting.

- Reception Baseline Assessment
- Year 1 Phonics Check
- Year 2 SATs and Phonics Check
- Year 4 Multiplication Check
- Year 6 SATs

HOME-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

We greatly value a strong home/school partnership at Pownall Green and we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support. As always, if at any time you would like to discuss your child's progress, please make an appointment to see the relevant class teacher.

How will I know how my child is doing this year?

Term 1A	Term 1B	Term 2A	Term 2B	Term 3A	Term 3B
Curriculum Meetings Share what the children are going to learn.	Online Parents Evening How they have settled. Strengths and development points. Parents/carers share relevant information. Open Morning Children will share with parents/carers their learning.	Mid - Year Report Current academic performance Attendance Attitude Targets	Open Morning Children will share with parents/carers their learning.	Face to face Parents Evening How they have progressed. Strengths and development points. Parents/carers share relevant information.	End of year report Achievement in all subjects. Personal and social comments. Targets for the next year. Open Morning Children will share with parents/carers their learning.

Establishing routines for reading, spellings, practising number facts, multiplication tables and homework is advisable and helps your child to learn valuable study skills for life.

Homework

Homework tasks will be listed on Google Classroom each week. Homework is set on a **Thursday** and needs to be submitted on the following **Tuesday**.

The following homework will be set:

- Reading (at least 4 times a week) from Reception Y6
- Spelling lists to learn and practise using Spelling Shed from Y1-Y6
- Maths homework from Y1-Y6
- Occasionally teachers may set additional tasks which will be communicated via Google Classroom

Developing reading at home

Children of all ages, from Reception to Year 6, benefit greatly from reading and discussing books with an adult. Children should read as much as possible and should be encouraged to read a wide range of high-quality literature from a range of authors. Children enjoy being read to, whatever their age, and this helps to develop their vocabulary and their love of books.

Developing maths at home

It is essential that all children regularly practise rapid recall of addition and subtraction facts and multiplication tables in order to keep their skills sharp. Children rarely learn number facts once and for all. Without regular practice at recalling number facts, the once seemingly 'learnt' number facts can quickly fade and recall can become slow and inaccurate. This is often a common barrier to learning in

mathematics. It is therefore essential that all children keep practising the rapid recall of such number facts throughout the school from Reception to Year 6.

Involving children in everyday activities that require the real-life application of mathematics can really help children deepen their understanding of mathematical concepts. Activities such as baking, shopping, measuring, planning journeys and holidays can all be meaningful real-life applications of mathematics that you and your child can enjoy together.