

Dear Parents and Carers,



Orang-utan Class  
Newsletter 5 – April 2021

Welcome to our Year 6 Newsletter for Term 5. I hope you and your families managed to make the most of our Easter Break, and enjoyed the world slowly opening back up again and coming back to normal!

This term in Year Six we are beginning to think about our transition to Secondary School, and so will be working in class and around the school on our skills of independence, organisation and responsibility in advance of the movement onward to Year 7. We will also be taking advantage of the warmer weather by getting outside more and starting to spend our break and lunchtimes on the field.

We are also returning to our daily tracking of home reading – the current Orang-Utans love a bit of a competition, and each week we will be ranked against the other classes in the school for how many children are reading at home each day. If you could please make sure your child has their reading record signed every time they read at home, this will really help us rank highly each week.

As ever, if you have any questions or messages to pass on this term, please feel free to e-mail me: [richard.payne@ryarsh.kent.sch.uk](mailto:richard.payne@ryarsh.kent.sch.uk)

**KEY MESSAGES:**

PE – PE lessons will continue to take place on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons this term – both of these will be outdoor sessions this term, focusing on Striking and Fielding Skills (Tuesday) and Athletics (Thursday). PE kits can be worn all day – there is no expectation to wear school uniform and change during the day. If School PE kits – or a close enough colour if these are too small – can be worn, this would be preferable.

WATER BOTTLES – Especially as the weather gets warmer, please ensure your children have a water bottle in school each day.

SPELLINGS – We will continue to use the Year 6 Spelling Lists to practice, reinforce and test weekly. Thank you for your support in practicing at home.

HOME LEARNING will be set on a Friday, using the same format as before Christmas.

**Key Areas of Study for Term 5**

<b>MATHS</b>	Statistics – Line Graphs, Pie Charts Geometry – 2D and 3D shapes	<b>ENGLISH</b>	Writing based around The London Eye Mystery novel
<b>ART</b>	Andy Warhol	<b>PSHE</b>	Physical and Mental Health
<b>READING</b>	The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd	<b>PE</b>	Striking and Fielding Athletics
<b>SCIENCE</b>	Evolution and Inheritance	<b>TOPIC</b>	London

Many thanks once again for all of your support this year. I hope we all have a wonderful start to our summer term.

Best wishes,

Mr Payne and the Year 6 Team.