



Welcome to Year 6

We are looking forward to the year ahead and hope that you are too. Year 6 is hard work but good fun. We hope that you make the most of your last year here at Downview by enjoying and doing your best in all the opportunities that are available to you.

Staff



The Year 6 teaching team this year are:



Mr Wojcik (HOY)

Rowan Class



Mrs Bondsfield

Chestnut Class



Mr Maidment

Cedar Class

You will also be supported by a wonderful team of Teaching Assistants: Mrs Cornell, Mrs Stapely, Mrs Miller & Mrs McCarthy

Year 6, the unique Year!



Play Leaders



Residential



End of Term Show



House Captains



Graduation

Job Responsibilities

House Points

Tech Support

Playtime equipment

Yellow folders

Lost property

Playtime Bell

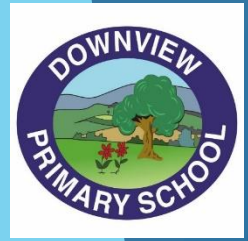
Library Monitors

Sport Captains

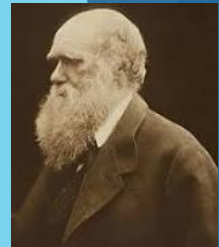
Bikeability

Tour Guides

Autumn Term



In Autumn Term 1 our topic is Evolution, Inheritance & Why does population change?



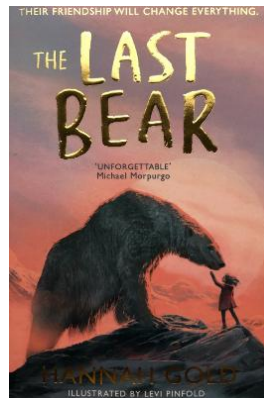
In Autumn Term 2 our topic will be WW2.

Evacuee Day 3rd November (Rainbow Theatre)

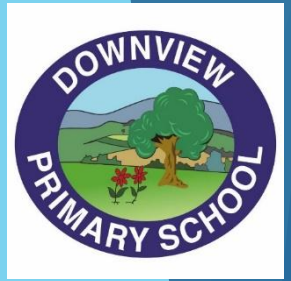
Extra homework - Air raid shelter



Some key texts:



Spring Term

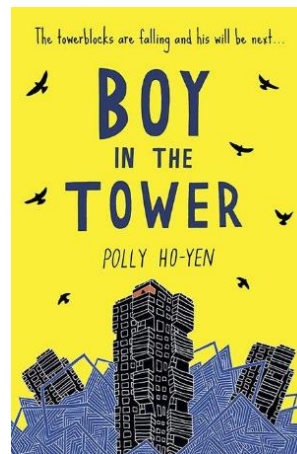
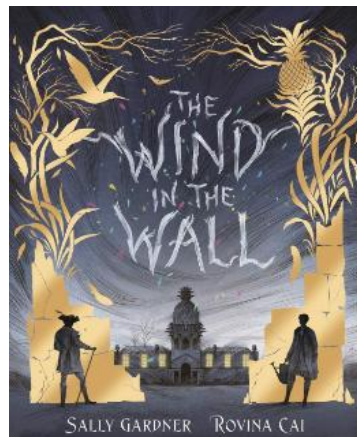


Spring 1 we will continue with WW2.

Science focus will be electricity
Spring 2 Where does energy come from.
SATs push!



Key texts:



Summer Term



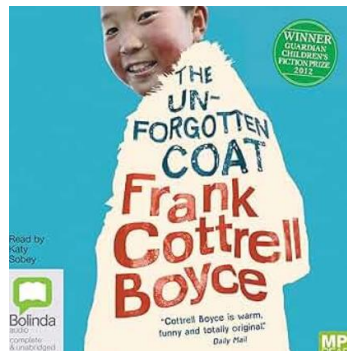
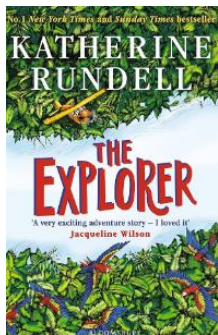
Final SAT's push! **Which are the 10th - 13th May 2027.** Children well prepared.

Once the tests are finished you will have the chance to work on a **project of your choice**. At this time we will also start rehearsing for our **end of year show** and thinking about the **transition to secondary school**.

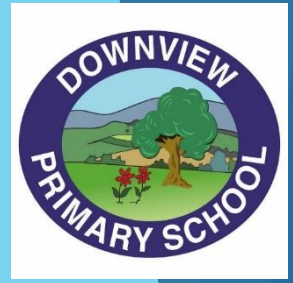
Our topic will be on Ancient Egyptians.

Dress as an Egyptian during our **Egyptian Day (TBC)**.

Key texts:

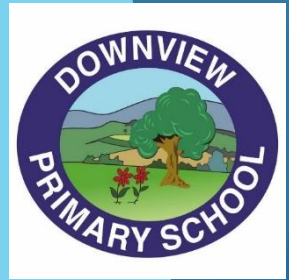


PE



- ▶ Year 6 days are:
 - ▶ Cedar - Tuesday & Thursday
 - ▶ Rowan - Tuesday & Friday
 - ▶ Chestnut - Wednesday & Friday
 - ▶ We have two sessions of P.E every week. There will be one indoor and one outdoor session.
- All jewellery (especially earrings) should be left at home on these days and hair should be tied up.
 - T- shirt, round necked, white
 - T-shirt, round necked, navy logo
 - Shorts, blue or black, preferably black
 - Trainers will be needed for outdoor PE
 - Plain navy or black jogging bottoms for outdoor PE
 - Plain navy or black sweatshirt
 - School cardigan or jumper can be worn for PE
 - No football attire with a logo of any club (supported or played for)

Pencil Cases



- ▶ The children have been given the stationery supplies they need to use in the classroom
- ▶ We would like the children to store this in their own pencil case to use in lesson times
- ▶ Please provide your child with their own pencil case by **Monday 28th September** - they can also bring in their own stationery to use in the pencil case. Colouring pencils & glue sticks!
- ▶ Please ensure the pencil case is named

Mobile Phones



No smart phones in school.

Brick phones.

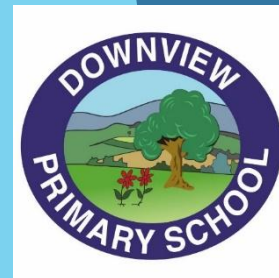
Switched off before enter school.

Placed in box in the classroom.



Mobile phones are not permitted on school trips.

Year 6 residential to Marchants Hill



Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th June!

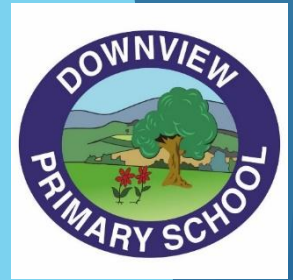
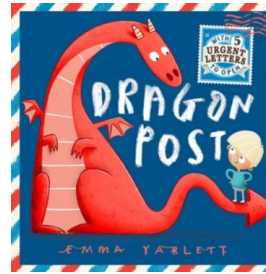
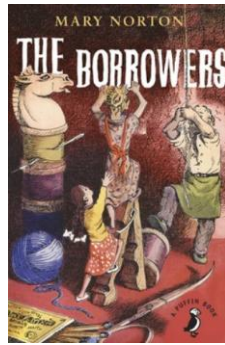
Day bag/rucksack

- Packed lunch for the first day - in a disposable bag
- Reusable water bottle
- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Nightwear
- Toiletries - soap, flannel, toothbrush and paste, shampoo, shower gel, brush, comb etc
- Towels
- Black bin liner for wet clothing/towels
- Old clothes -

Some of the activities require the children to have their arms or legs covered.
Please ensure they have suitable clothing for this

- Watch/time device
- Torch
- Camera (optional)
- Book to read at night or games (not electronic or precious)
- Teddy bear (optional)
- £10 pocket money (optional)
- Sun hat
- Sun cream

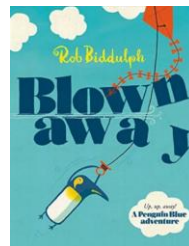
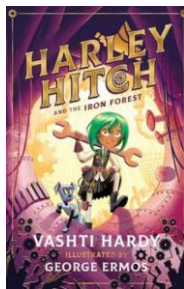
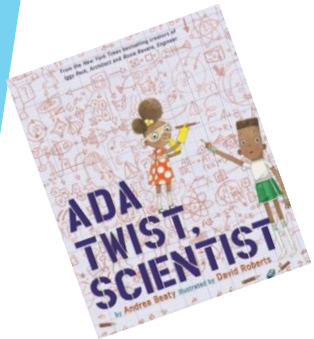
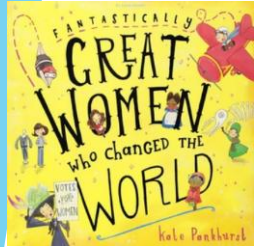




Reading at Downview

We work hard with all our children to support them to read with confidence and enjoyment, and become lifelong readers.

We need your help!



Reading at school.

Accelerated Reader (AR).

After every AR book they read, they will complete a quiz in school to monitor their progress. We can see good understanding of what they are reading.

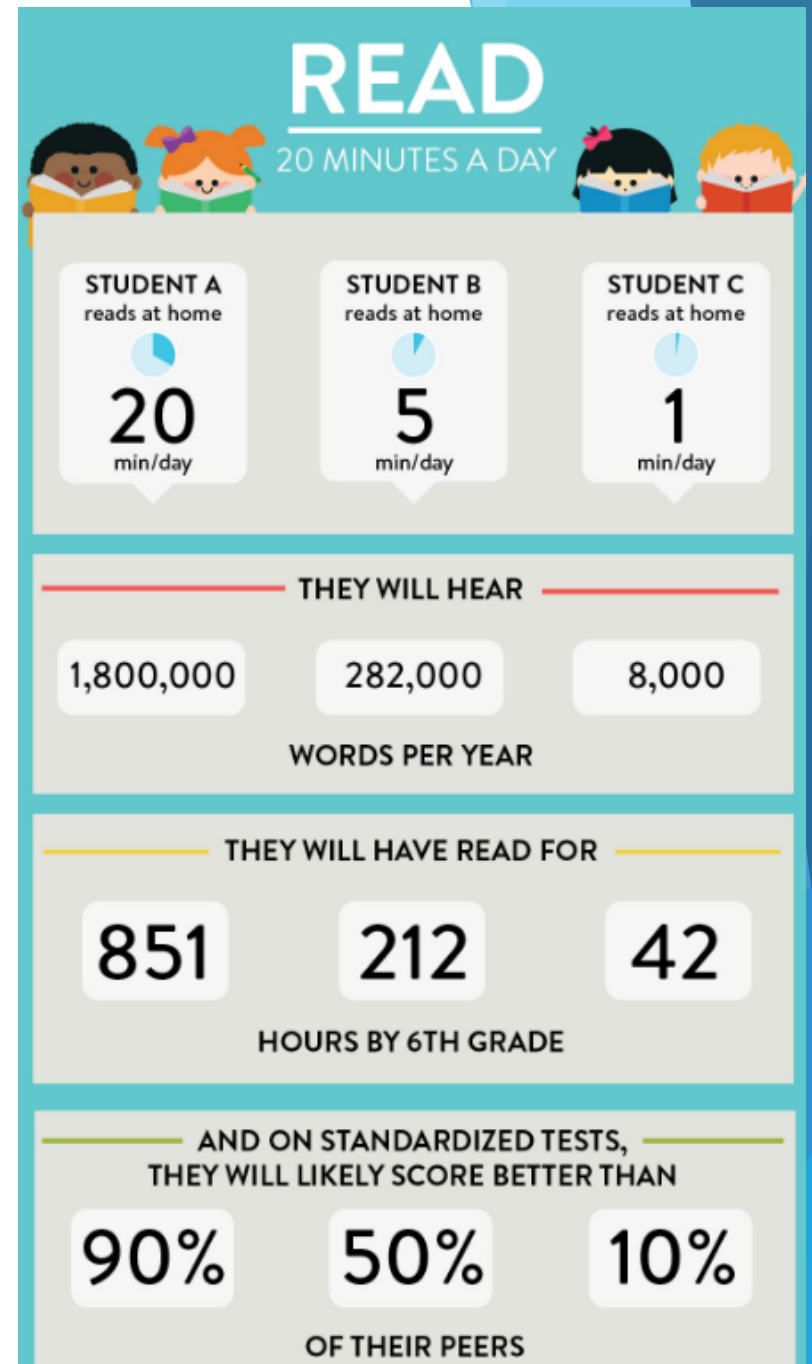
Teachers read to children every day at Downview.

Volunteers- makes such a difference (must have DBS)



Reading at home

- ▶ In Key Stage 2 encourage your child to bring their Accelerated Reader book home every day so that you can read together.
- ▶ Try to read at home **every day**, a minimum of 3 times a week is essential for good progress.
- ▶ Sign their 100 square when you hear them read. 100 reads at home means a trip to the vending machine to choose a new book to take home!
- ▶ Read to your child before bed **every night**.! Children love being read to from Reception to Year 6 and beyond! Hearing someone else read aloud is an important part of learning to read.





Help your child to reach 100 reads!

Please sign their 100 square every time you hear them read.

We will regularly check their progress with this.

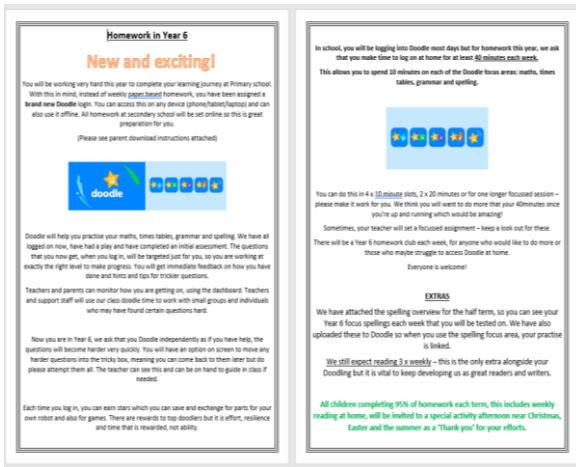
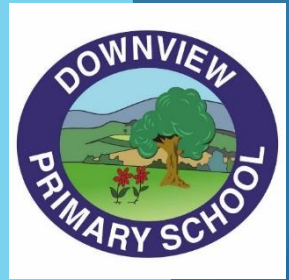
100 Reads!

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
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91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

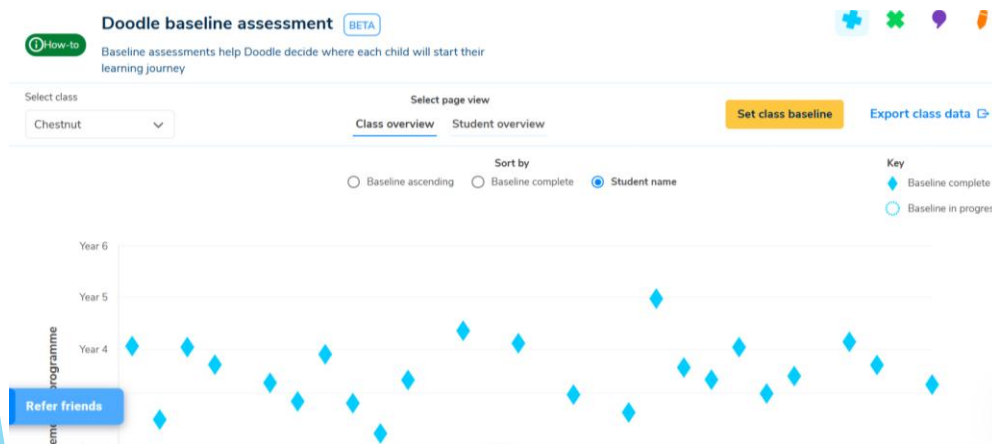
Please sign and date when your child reads with you. When they have read 100 times at home, they will be able to visit the Downview book vending machine. We'll check each week to see how they are getting on!



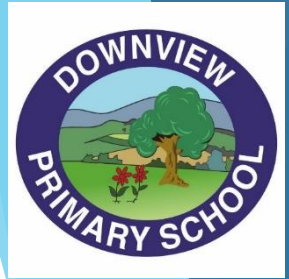
Homework



- Maths, English/grammar, times tables and spelling
- Will log in 4x weekly in school for 15 minutes = 60 Yr 6 Homework expectation: 40 minutes weekly at home = 100 weekly in total
- Identifies learning gaps - individualised learning
- Teachers will regularly monitor
- Rewards effort not attainment - respects children as learners



- Data shows when used little and often - 3 months progress can be made in 1 month.
- Aim - to close the learning gaps

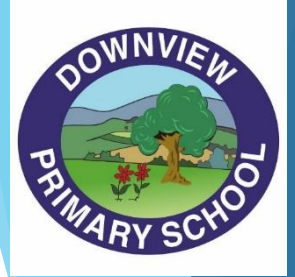


SATS: What & When

- SATs are the Standardised Assessment Tests that are given to children at the end of Key Stage 2.
- The SATs take place over four days, starting on **Monday 10th May** ending on **Thursday 13th May**.
- The SATs papers consist of:
 - Grammar, punctuation and spelling (paper 1: GPS) – Monday 10th May
 - Grammar, punctuation and spelling (paper 2: Spelling) – Monday 10th May
 - Reading – Tuesday 11th May
 - Maths (paper 1: Arithmetic) – Wednesday 12th May
 - Maths (paper 2: Reasoning) – Wednesday 12th May
 - Maths (paper 3: Reasoning) – Thursday 13th May

Meeting TBC

Key Dates



21st & 22nd October: Parents evening

3rd November: Evacuee Day

30th - 11th December: Bikeability

17th December (TBC): Butlins Panto

4th March: World Book Day

17th & 18th March: Parents Evening

10th - 13th May: SATS

25th May: Sports Day

9rd - 11th June: Residential

13th & 14th July: Year 6 Performance

19th July: Year 6 Graduation