

What to Expect in Year 6



*To love, serve and learn as Jesus
shows us*

The move into Year 6 truly is the most memorable time. It is a key moment in your child's life; they will develop more independence, a huge amount of resilience and, most importantly, they should become very aware of who they are becoming as both learners and as young adults.

What can you expect in Year 6 and how can you help your child during this unique and special year?

What will my child learn?

As in all other year groups, Year 6 follow statutory learning set out by the government. In both maths and English, there are a wide range of expectations for the children. For maths, this includes things like mental arithmetic, algebra, written methods of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, using fractions, decimals and percentages. In English, children are expected to write effectively for a range of purposes, use a full range of punctuation, write with a wide variety of sentence structures, use powerful vocabulary, and have generally accurate spelling. These are just some of the expectations. We will use class texts in English which have been carefully chosen to engage and inspire writing.

Children are assessed at the end of the year as to whether they have met the 'expected' national standard in English and maths. We will support the children in preparation for these assessments and the results will be communicated to parents in your child's end of year report. Parents' Evening will be an opportunity for us to talk about how your child is progressing with their learning.

We will also continue to develop our understanding in RE through our Come and See lessons. The children will enjoy the history, geography and science topic as well as wide range of other subjects such as PE, art, design and technology, computing, music, Spanish and RSHE.

PE lessons are on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on these days.

Further information about all of our learning can be found on the Teaching and Learning pages on school website: www.stvincentsprimary.org

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How can I help my child?

The most important thing is to help and encourage your child to complete their homework, including regular reading, spellings and times tables. Year 6 should be able to recall all of the times tables and division facts up to 12 x 12. They should read and spell all of the Year 3/4 and Y5/6 statutory words. They also should practise the weekly spelling patterns and rules.

In Year 6, homework is compulsory and non-engagement will be followed up. It will be set on Fridays. Homework can be found on EdShed and Planpanion. Paper homework will be sent home some weeks too.

Your child will learn that it is their own hard work and effort that matters, not someone else's. So, as parents and teachers, we aim to develop your child's independence, organisation, and self-motivation in time for the increased demands of high school.

Setting an example

Our Year 6 are role-models, setting an excellent example of behaviour and attitudes. We also have high expectations with regards to school uniform. Please refer to the school website for guidance.

Keeping in touch

Please use the planner for messages. Urgent messages can be sent via the school office. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to make an appointment.

Moving on up

Some of our time in will be spent preparing for the move to high school. This may involve going to schools, a visit staff and classroom activities. These experiences will help to allay any concerns and answer questions that your child may have. We will also plan a range of fun activities to celebrate your child's time at St Vincent's so that they leave us with some lovely memories of their primary school years!