

Year 6 Newsletter

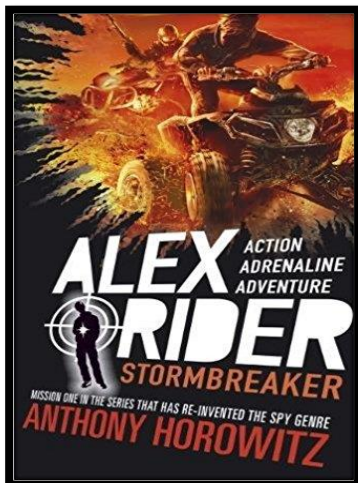
Autumn Term 2 2022-2023



Well done to all the pupils for a very enjoyable 1st half term

Stormbreaker- Alex Rider

This adventure novel- by Anthony Horowitz- is an action-packed thriller about Alex Rider seeking to gain revenge for the death of his uncle whilst working for the Ministry of Defence. The story is full of adventure and mystery. This novel has a range of chapters that lend themselves perfectly to a range of writing outcomes including short stories, persuasive arguments, and the description of settings/characters. We will also be using this text to support our reading lessons.



Uniform

Please **label all items** of clothing with your child's name to enable us to return lost property to the correct child. Last term we had several missing items that we were unable to return due to names being washed off. Children should be wearing a **school logo** jumper and the correct PE kit on PE days. Please check the uniform policy of you are unsure what these items should be.

Home Learning

Your child must read at home, each night wherever possible, in order to make good progress. Parents/carers can help pupils by reading alongside with them and by asking questions in relation to the text. Your child will continue to receive weekly spellings alongside additional maths and English tasks. These will be set on Friday and must be completed by the following Thursday. Children are expected to read every day and parents/carers need to acknowledge this through a signature once a week. The journals are checked in school regularly. During this term, the children will also receive a range of CGP books to complete as homework.

Physical Education

P.E. will be taught on a Mondays and Wednesdays for 6DM and Wednesdays and Thursdays for 6SO. The lessons will be based on activities linked to dance. Children can wear a PE kit for the duration of the day when they have a PE lesson. As the weather is now starting to become colder the pupils are expected to bring in warmer, suitable clothing to stay warm.

Science topic- Electricity

The next topic will comprise of a range of topics. Children will be able to:

- Associate the brightness of a lamp or the volume of a buzzer with the number and voltage of cells used in the circuit
- Compare and give reasons for variations in how components function, including the brightness of bulbs, the loudness of buzzers and the on/off position of switches
- Use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.

Isle of Wight

We would like to say thank you to all the parents/carers who paid the deposit for the children's year 6 residential trip to the Isle of Wight. The school will be in touch to communicate the next payments in due course. If there are any questions in the meantime, please contact the office.

Value of the Month

This term, we will explore the value of **peace**. We explore our values in depth through assemblies, PSHE lessons and across the wider curriculum. We will also be exploring the theme of **tolerance**.

Supporting families

Since the energy crisis began, the cost of living has grown exponentially in all areas of our lives. It is important that the families in our Wingfield community are being supported through some of these challenging financial times. With that in mind, please find some links to support families. These range from gaining financial support to receiving advice. The links are available below:

Energy Saving Trust

<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/are-high-energy-bills-having-an-impact-on-your-mental-health/>

Citizens advice

<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/energy/energy-supply/get-help-paying-your-bills/grants-and-benefits-to-help-you-pay-your-energy-bills/>

The energy bills support scheme discount – some families may be eligible for support.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/getting-the-energy-bills-support-scheme-discount>

The children have worked extremely hard across all areas of the curriculum. In particular, the children should be very proud of the 'Shackleton' display which presents an array of outstanding pieces of learning. The school was particularly impressed with the range of writing outcomes produced and the outstanding which included a newspaper article, a setting description, and a modern online article. In addition to that, the children have really enjoyed engaging with the school's new curriculum. Once again, a wonderful start to the year and let's hope that this continues as we move towards Christmas! Mrs Ormond and Mr Mitakos.