



Dear Peregrine Class 2019/20,

A warm welcome back!

I hope you had a wonderful summer holiday and are well rested and ready for what is going to be a very exciting year of learning.

In Peregrine Class this year, the pupils will be taught by **Miss Cinderey** on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and **Miss Evans** on Thursday. To begin the year, our first topic is centered on the period of time between the Anglo-Saxons invading Britain and the Battle of Hastings in 1066. This will support our geography learning about settlements, trading and invaders. Hopefully we will be able to decide if the Anglo Saxons and Vikings were raiders or traders. At the beginning of term, we will introduce the focus for our other subjects – there is going to be lots to learn!

This half term, PE lessons will be on **Monday** and **Thursday** so children will need to ensure that they have their full PE kit in school on these days. If you are not sure of the school PE kit, a poster is displayed by the classroom door or the office can provide you with a letter detailing the full kit. It's really important that your child has all the uniform for these sessions. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Homework

Please find below the expectations for homework in year 6. If you have any questions at any time or would like support with resources, please do not hesitate to come and speak to me.

### Reading



**Philip Pullman**   
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You shouldn't read. Especially books. they will make you far too interesting and attractive, which isn't fair to those who don't read.

Luckily, we are going to be a terribly interesting class who have been on many adventures! I am looking forward to working with you to find books and reading material that your children enjoy. We will have access to the library regularly to change our reading books and share reading time with a younger class.

The school will provide a home school communication book, with lots of great information included in it for both you and your child. It is also a means of recording homework activities, including a record of reading that your child completes both at school and at home. It would be very helpful if you could ensure that you are also recording in there when you hear your child read. It's as important to share that quality time with your child, even in Year 6. For those children who struggle to read 5 times a week at home, staff will support them by providing a lunchtime reading club.

Children need to ensure their reading record is in school **every day**; it will then be signed weekly by both myself and you. These are very good routines to get into in readiness for when your child goes to secondary school, where all students have planners that act as a good means of communication between home and school.

As part of your child's reading comprehension activities, they will be given a 'guided reading' novel that they will read with their group in school but will also be used to complete important tasks at home. Children will record the day that this is due in in their reading record and should ensure they come and speak to me in plenty of time if there is a problem.

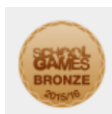
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### Spellings

In a change this year, your child will be given just one set of spellings to learn. This set of 5 words will be tested on a Thursday in a dictation passage; the next set will be given when they have achieved 5/5. These words are 'common exception words' meaning they don't follow a specific spelling pattern but just have to be learnt. We will learn a number of strategies to help us learn them. Copies of the word list will be uploaded to the class webpage for future reference. We have a fantastic new online resource to support the children in learning their spellings – Spelling Shed. They will have a login in their reading record which they are free to use at home. Please do support your child in practising their spellings.

### Maths

Maths books will be given to each child to complete in addition to their class work. I would like children to complete a page a week and then mark it from the answers in the back of the book. Please ensure it is completed in pencil and that any jottings are written in the jotter provided. If there are any questions that your child isn't sure about then please ask them to circle them and we will go through them in class. If you would like support with any of the methods your child is taught so that you can support them with their homework, do not hesitate to come and see me.

Knowing their multiplication tables will be vitally important to assist your child with the maths that we complete this year. Pupils will continue to have access to TT rockstars this year and there will be battles in class and in assembly – get practising!

### Curriculum Subjects

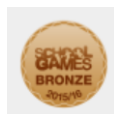
To support the work that the children are doing in school on their topic they will also be given a POWER project to complete during each short term. If your child requires any extra support or resources to support this then please do see me. This part of our homework is entirely voluntary and is designed to enhance learning and give opportunities for you to enjoy learning alongside your child. There will be opportunities every term for you to come in and celebrate the POWER projects with your child and certificates will be awarded for those that complete this challenge.

We will once again be running a KS2 homework club on a Wednesday after school where staff will be on hand to support children. Please look out for the clubs letter to sign up your child if you think this is something that they would benefit from in addition to the support you provide at home.

This year promises to be an exciting one with so many fantastic activities already planned; I look forward to working with both you and your child. I am always on hand at the beginning or end of the school day if you have any queries that I can help with.

Best wishes,

Miss F Cinderey  
Peregrine Class Teacher



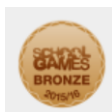


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Peregrine's week at a glance			Supporting online resources
<b>Monday</b>	PE kit Maths homework books due in Reading records checked	Guided reading homework due in according to reading groups	TT rockstars – times tables
<b>Tuesday</b>	Reading record in school		Spelling shed - spelling
<b>Wednesday</b>	Reading record in school KS2 homework club after school		Read theory –reading
<b>Thursday</b>	PE kit Dictation spelling test Reading record in school		Charanga – music
<b>Friday</b>	Reading record in school Multiplication/spelling battles in assembly (see separate letter for Peregrine dates)		

### Dictations

<u>List 1</u> muscle necessary queue rhythm vegetable	<u>List 2</u> bruise curiosity embarrass explanation sincerely	<u>List 3</u> competition foreign leisure rhyme yacht	<u>List 4</u> achieve determined profession restaurant twelfth	<u>List 5</u> ancient familiar guarantee language symbol	<u>List 6</u> attached forty identify soldier vehicle	<u>List 7</u> awkward immediate opportunity shoulder stomach	<u>List 8</u> according bargain desperate excellent neighbour
<u>List 9</u> conscience harass individual interfere nuisance	<u>List 10</u> conscious controversy disastrous existence persuade	<u>List 11</u> appreciate community critic marvellous occur	<u>List 12</u> dictionary equip recommend secretary sufficient	<u>List 13</u> apparent develop frequently hindrance temperature	<u>List 14</u> aggressive available communicate lightning mischievous	<u>List 15</u> interrupt government occupy parliament programme	<u>List 16</u> accommodate cemetery committee suggest variety
<u>List 17</u> accompany convenience environment recognise sacrifice	<u>List 18</u> amateur category definite physical thorough	<u>List 19</u> correspond especially exaggerate pronunciation system	<u>List 20</u> average prejudice privilege relevant sincere				





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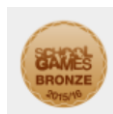
The school recognises how important it is to ensure that all homework set, is purposeful and achievable and that parents know what the expectations are. We also know that providing resources, where required is really important so that every child has an equal opportunity to complete activities with the same degree of success as their class mates.

The homework set will support the development of 'the basics' in English and maths, including reading, spellings and number fluency in accordance with your child's age and ability. This will ensure that they have the opportunity to develop effective learning strategies.

The school will provide parents and their children with guidance and support so that homework activities can be completed successfully.

Set out below, is information about your child's homework. If you have any queries at any stage, do not hesitate to come and see me.

Nurturing a love of literature for life, is without doubt, a strategy that the school is highly passionate about. Philip Pullman said that, "after nourishment, shelter, and companionship, stories are the thing we need most in the world." It is through wonderful stories that our children can begin to define their world and discover their places within it. In a nutshell, stories are our education and they are also our escape. To this end, I would greatly appreciate your support in finding books that your child enjoys reading. The children will have access to the library at least once a week to change their reading book. We will also share our reading time by reading with a younger class.



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