



# Year 5 and 6 Parent Meeting

*Please take a seat and we will begin soon.  
Could any children please sit on the  
benches at the front if there are not  
enough chairs.*

# Staff

## Year 5

Mrs Atkins

Miss Webb

Mr Baldwin

Miss Johnson

Mrs Smitherman

Mrs Riley

## Year 6

Miss Payne

Mr Hart

Miss Morgan

Mr Lindsey

Mrs Constable

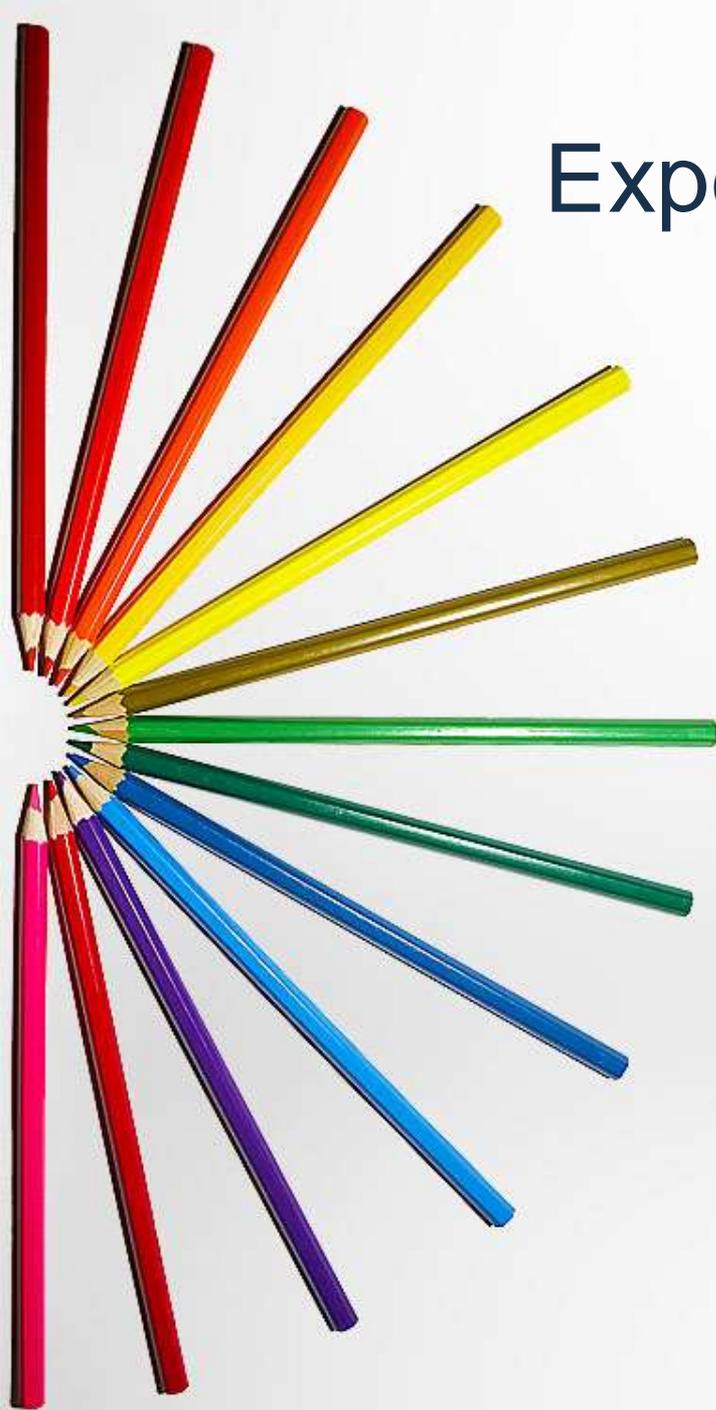
Mrs England

Mrs Misra



# Expectations of Upper School

- Following our school values
  - Polite and well mannered
    - Sensible behaviour
      - Good attitude
  - Work completed on time
    - Correct uniform
    - Correct equipment



# Reading

Reading is a vital part of everyday life and can help in so many different ways. We want all children to enjoy reading!

Accelerated Reader

Class Read

Please do continue to read with your child.



# Curriculum 2019

The Year 5 and 6 children have been on the new curriculum now for a few years and have adapted really well to the new challenges.

‘Maths Mastery’

‘Talk4Writing’

These methods of teaching are both aimed at gaining a deeper understanding of the core subjects.



# Topics

The Year 5 topics for this year are as follows:

- Term 1 = Pharaohs
- Term 2 = Princes, Peasants and Pestilence
- Term 3 = Life on Planet Earth
- Term 4 = Stargazers (Astrodome)
- Term 5 = Alchemy Island (Gurdwara)
- Term 6 = Off with her head!



# Topics

The Year 6 topics for this year are as follows:

- Term 1 and 2 – Frozen Kingdom (Dockyard visit)
- Term 3 and 4 – World War 1 (Guildhall)
- Term 4/5 – SATs
- Term 6 – I.D (Residential to France)



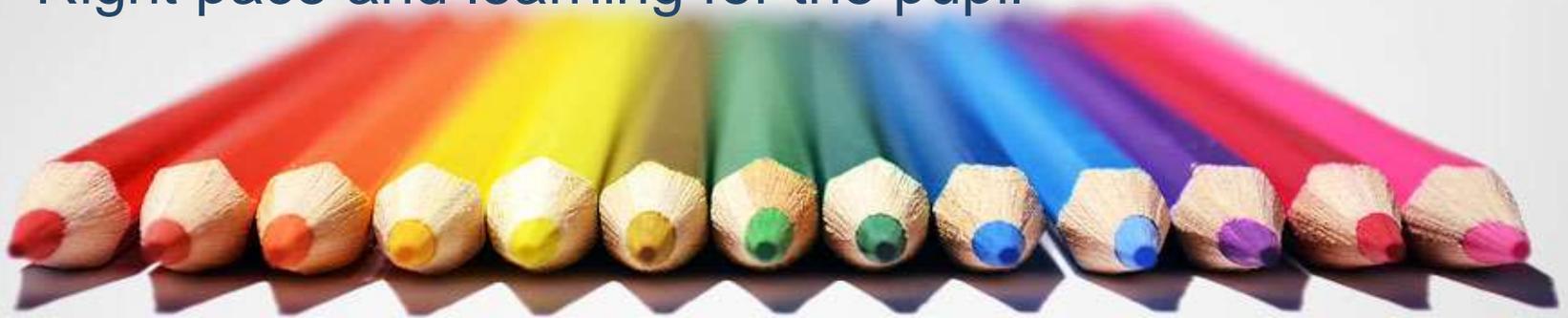
# Grouping in Year 5

## Grouping in Maths

More tightly focused lessons on the ability of the child – there are 3 mixed ability groups, an advanced group who complete the same work but at a slightly faster pace, a booster group for those that may have some gaps in their knowledge.

Flexible groups – reviewed by staff frequently

Right pace and learning for the pupil



# Grouping in Year 6

## Grouping in English and Maths

More tightly focused lessons on the ability of the child, already differentiated 5 ways and then differentiated again in group

Flexible groups – reviewed by staff frequently

Right pace and learning for the pupil



# Uniform

- Great start, so a big thank you to you all for sending in such smart children.
- Winter uniform should be worn from after the term break.
- School shoes – no trainers please.
- Please name all uniform.
- Also, please remember they should have a school water bottle as it is important to drink plenty of water throughout the day (metal water bottles will not be allowed in any exams).



# Home-learning

Children must read for 20 minutes every night where possible. Please record this in their diaries.

Home-learning in Year 5 will be set by the year group.

In Year 6 it will be set by the maths or English teacher.



# Red Caps

Current selection by Year 5 staff

4 from each class

Serve for 2 terms

2 or 3 duties a week at lunch time – some are light duties

Younger children know who they can go to for help

Other members of staff ask for them to help with various activities

Show potential new children/parents around the school



# Medway Test

- Medway tests – Year 5 need to build on previous learning
- Extra tuition or guidance
- Pressure



# Medway Selection Test

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Verbal Reasoning 1 hour (Multiple Choice)

Mathematics 1 hour (Multiple Choice)  
with individually timed section

English (extended writing) – essay 40 mins plus 10  
mins planning



No pass mark – based on the 23<sup>rd</sup> percentile

Scores are standardised to take into account age of pupil

Results **Posted by letter on Monday 7th October 2019** and **emails after 4pm** (for those who registered online).

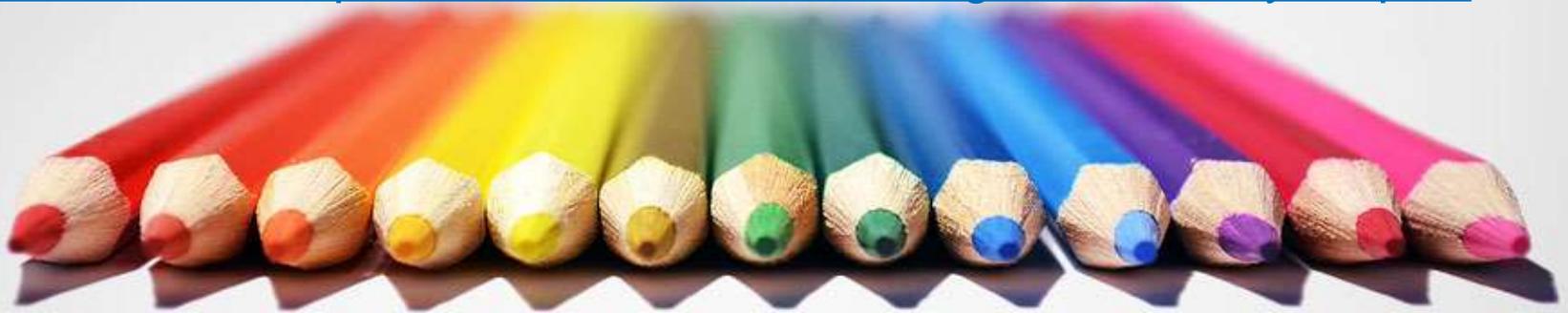
Where a child does not achieve the minimum score required, parents can ask for an academic review. Samples of work from the last two terms of year 5 and the first term of year 6 will be requested in Maths (problem solving), English (creative writing) and Science (investigation).

Requests to review your child's 11+ result must be made by **Monday 14th October 2019**

Reviews will take place between **Thursday 17th and Friday 18th October 2019**

Results of review decisions will be posted by letter by **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019**

<https://www.elevenplusexams.co.uk/schools/regions/medway-11-plus>



# Thank you all for coming!

- Any questions?
- Please see me afterwards if you need any help or have any concerns
- Our aim is to continue to improve communication between the school and parents so please don't hesitate to contact me with any problems or questions at the email below or just write in the diaries:
- Suggestion slips
- **[Lpayne@balfourjuniors.org.uk](mailto:Lpayne@balfourjuniors.org.uk)**

