

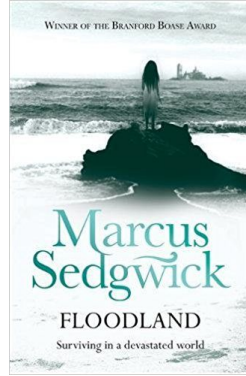


## Welcome back UKS2!

Welcome to all the children who are in Year 5 and 6! Our first few days have been wonderful and the staff are really excited about working with such a lovely group of children!

### What does the new term bring?

We have an exciting term ahead of us with lots of inspiring learning. We kicked off our new learning on the first day back with our Big Bang where the children discovered that their classrooms had been destroyed by a mysterious flood. After some code breaking and scavenger hunting, they discovered that the first book for the whole phase is 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick. The children are already hooked on the book and can't wait to read more!



The themes from 'Floodland' will continue throughout this term in our 'What happens when the world gets angry?' topic. We will be looking at comparing locations in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres and studying the islands of Madagascar and Iceland. We will be making lots of links between Geography and our Science unit on Living things and their habitats.

### UKS2 Class assemblies!

All are 9.05am

Willow Class - Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November  
 Oak Class - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
 Cherry Class - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November  
 Rowan Class - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November

### How can you help?

- Ensure that your child is reading for at least 10 minutes every day. For every 10 minutes they read, the children have been asked to get a signature from you in their reading record. We expect to see reading records and reading books in school every day.
- Encourage your child to complete any homework independently and let us know if they are having any particular difficulties. We will be setting homework activities on Sumdog and there will also be a piece of topic homework to complete. Details of this will be in the Chisenhale Chatter.
- Support your child with learning times tables and other mental maths skills - Sumdog is a great website for this!
- Visit free museums and the Idea Store

Our aim is to make learning fun and exciting and we want all children to enjoy school. If you have any problems or concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher or the phase leader.

### Other information:

#### *Frag*

- **Frag** is a great way of sharing what we are learning in school. The children will be publishing their writing onto Frag throughout the term so ask them to share it with you.

#### *PE kits*

- PE days for Year 6 are Mondays and Tuesday
- PE days for Year 5 are Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Please keep PE kits in school all week!
- Sometimes the children will come home in their PE kits due to the fact that we have a limited amount of time to get changed after lessons.
- Ensure all items of school uniform including PE kit are named.
- We would like to remind parents that Year 5 and 6 should be coming into the school building by themselves.

**The RIGHT** we are focusing on their half term is: **ARTICLE 2:** All children have these rights, no matter who they are, where they live, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their religion is, whether they are a boy or girl, what their culture is, whether they have a disability, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated unfairly on any basis.