

September 2026

Year 6

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! I hope you had a lovely summer holiday. I am really looking forward to working with you all and supporting your children in their final year at Les Landes. I have outlined the learning that will take place this term.

At the start of the year, children will take part in creating a class charter based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). This collaborative activity helps them understand the rights they have and the responsibilities that come with them. By working together to agree on how they want their classroom to feel and function, children begin to build a respectful, inclusive, and supportive environment. This charter becomes a shared agreement that encourages everyone to value each other's rights and promote kindness, fairness, and mutual respect in daily school life.

English

This term the overall learning topic will be World War II. We will use enriching and thoughtful texts to begin to understand what life was like for different people around the world at that time.

During the first part of the half term, we will be using the graphic novel 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan as a stimulus for our writing. We will use ideas from this book to write a narrative and poetry.

After half term, we will focus on the book 'Rose Blanche' by Roberto Innocenti. We will use the themes within the text to help us write a diary.

In reading, our class books will be 'Once' by Morris Gleitzman and 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne. We will not only develop our understanding of World War II through these books, but our reading skills too such as prediction, inference and comprehension too.

Maths

In maths, we will learn about:

- Understanding place value up to 10,000,000.
- Comparing, ordering and rounding numbers.
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- Fractions and converting units

Daily practice on Times Tables Rock Stars will help reinforce these skills. By the end of Year 6, children should have a strong, fluent recall of multiplication and division facts for all times tables up to 12x12.

PSHE

This term, child will also explore how their brain works and how they can train it to focus. This term, we will be using the *myHappymind* programme to support our personal, social and emotional learning. We will explore how the brain works, how emotions affect our behaviour, and how techniques like Happy Breathing can help us manage stress. Through the *Places* module, we will learn strategies for recognising and regulating our emotions, and understand the importance of speaking to trusted adults. In the *Celebrate* module, we will explore our Character Strengths and how to use them to thrive. We will also learn about respect, bullying (both online and offline), human rights, and the value of diversity in communities.

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Other Subjects

This term Science will be taught by Mr Gallichan. This term's scientific discoveries cover:

- **Light** – understanding how light travels, how we see objects and how light can be reflected.
- **Electricity** – associate brightness of a lamp/volume of buzzer with voltage, compare and give reasons for variations and use recognised symbols when representing a simple circuit in a diagram.

Our historical and geographical explorations this term are based on World War II. We will be focusing on World War 2 and the Occupation of Jersey. The children will learn about the lead up to the outbreak of war and the key events during the war. They will also learn about what life was like in occupied Jersey and write diary entries.

In Art and Design, we will be learning about the artist Henry Moore and developing similar drawing and painting techniques used by him. We will also look at Moore's sculptures and make wire sculptures to explore the concept of form.

Year 6 will have PE on will be on **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**. Please ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit and trainers.

In Computing, we will be exploring blogs and their features, including how they can be used to engage an audience effectively. We will also be learning more about what networks are, what they do and how they connect devices. Children also consider the safety aspects of networks. developing our understanding of online safety. We will also explore the benefits of creating common graph types, digitally.

In RE, children will be investigating different versions of the creation story. They will start to explore their own views and develop an understanding of the beliefs of others.

Homework Expectations:

To support your child's learning at home:

- **Reading:** Encourage at least 15 minutes of reading each evening. Please record a signature in their Reading Record to acknowledge this and bring in on Mondays.
- **Spellings:** New words will be introduced on Friday and tested the following Friday. Daily practice using the 'look, say, cover, write, check' method is recommended. Please bring in book on Fridays.
- **Maths:** Daily practice on Times Tables Rock Stars. Each 30 minute session starts on Fridays and due the following Friday.

Additional Information

- This term, **Mr Gallichan** will be teaching Year 6 on Wednesdays, teaching Science and PE. **Mrs Gage** will be teaching music on Friday mornings.
- Please ensure all jumpers and cardigans are clearly marked with your child's name.
- Encourage your child to bring a water bottle (maximum 1 litre) to stay hydrated throughout the day.
- If you have an old shirt suitable for use as a painting apron, please send it in. We also welcome any old newspapers for art activities.

I'm excited for a wonderful term ahead and am looking forward to having the opportunity to get to know your child more. If you have any questions or would like to talk about anything, please feel free to reach out at any time.

Yours faithfully,
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