

Iguana Newsletter: October 2017



Finally, we are back in full working conditions! It feels like this newsletter has been a work in progress from the end of August when I first started to work on it, but the arrival of hurricanes Irma and Maria ensured that it

would be delayed. Nonetheless, a massive welcome back to Provo Primary School for what promises to be yet another busy and successful year. I hope you had a wonderful summer vacation and that you are feeling recovered post-hurricane! For those who don't know me so well let me introduce myself: I am originally from Northern Ireland and this is my fifth-year teaching in Providenciales Primary School. I hold a B.Ed. (Hons degree) and a DASE (Master Degree) from the Queen's University of Belfast. I have 9 years teaching experience and this experience has been primarily based in upper Key Stage 2. I have high expectations and believe that all children can reach their true potential via a range of teaching and learning strategies. I look forward to working with your children; and, of course, you the parents!

Curriculum (please see the Year 6 handbook for more detailed information)

- Literacy: Biographies/autobiographies, non-fiction & information texts linked to our geography topic *Waterways*; and our Science topic of adaptation and variation. We will also study the theme of adventure through our core literature text *Holes by Louis Sachar*. Students will also create a digital story book using suitable iPad apps.
- Numeracy: number, calculations, problem solving, shape, space & measures and data handling. Practical application of these areas and building upon financial capabilities.
- Science: adaptation & variation/Inheritance and Evolution.
- Social Studies: thematic exploration of rivers, waterfalls, lakes, oceans and reefs.



- ★ • PSHCE Topic: What Makes Me, Me?
- ★ • Art/Technology Design: portraits, timelines, animal sketching, landscapes and modelling.
- ★ • Spanish: Year 6 progression (with Mrs. Yorka)
- ★ • P.E.: Fitness, squash and kickball.
- ★ • Music/Dance and Theatre Arts: Year 6 Progression (with Ms. Alison and Mrs. Niki).

★ **General Reminders!**

- ★ • School starts promptly at **8:15 am**. Please note that your child will be marked as **Late** in the register after this time.
- ★ • Ensure that your child is collected from school between **3:00** and **3:15 pm**!
- ★ • Supply your child with adequate water each day. Please consider additional water for PE days and other days when your child may be involved in after-school clubs.
- ★ • PE days remain the same as last year: Tuesday and Thursday. Your child should come to school in their PE kit and bring their uniform to change into afterwards.
- ★ • Homework expectation and volume has increased this year. Please ask for any additional support/materials that can assist you in any way when working with your child.
- ★ • Please ensure that your child has enough reading material from our fantastically stocked school library.
- ★ • Encourage your child to have a firm and solid recall of all multiplication and division facts. Constant revision of Maths facts will also pay dividends as the year progresses. Use websites/Apps and your Childs' Maths fact book to consolidate all aspects of the Year 6 Numeracy curriculum.
- ★ • Possessing a traditional dictionary and thesaurus will be advantageous.
- ★ • Having a USB (flash drive) will prove useful this year.
- ★ • More information will be supplied during a Year 6 Expectation Information Meeting which we have scheduled to be held on Tuesday 10th October at 8:20am.

★ Here's to a great year! Mr. Jason

