



Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted to welcome the children back for the final two terms of their Primary School journey. It will be a busy term as we begin our countdown to the SATs.

This letter is intended to help children understand expectations for this term, organise themselves for activities like PE and remember Boringdon expectations for things like taking responsibility for their homework. It is also intended as a guide for you, keeping you informed about our learning this term and reminding you of key dates and events.

The information below sets out the learning for the coming months but, as ever, if you have any questions about your child's learning or progress, please do not hesitate to contact us - our email addresses are overleaf.

We urge you to listen to your child read regularly. It is a vitally important skill that must be maintained and it will help them achieve their personal reading target.

This term we will be learning about:

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| English | Describing character and setting, noun phrases, semicolons and the passive voice. Children will be writing explanation texts after reading Wallace and Gromit's Cracking Contraptions! Review of all grammar, punctuation and spelling concepts. |
| Maths | Review of all maths concepts. |
| Science | Living Things and their Habitats. |
| Computing | Internet Safety and Skills Showcase: Inventing a product. |
| Geography | Review. |
| History | Review. |
| Music | Samba and Ukulele. |
| Art and Design | KAPOW: Sculpture and 3D: Making Memories. |
| Design & Technology | COOKING & NUTRITION: Pop-Up Restaurant |
| Religious Education | Why is the Torah so important to Jewish people? What matters most to Humanists and Christians? |
| Physical Education | Athletics, cricket and dance. |
| Modern Foreign Languages | The children will learn conversational French in a range of contexts |
| PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education) | Relationships and Changing Me. |

SATS TIMETABLE:

| Date | Tests |
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| Monday 13 May | English grammar, punctuation and spelling: – Paper 1: questions – Paper 2: spelling |
| Tuesday 14 May | English reading |
| Wednesday 15 May | Mathematics: – Paper 1: arithmetic – Paper 2: reasoning |
| Thursday 16 May | Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning |

Homework

Maths homework will be set on a Thursday and link to learning that has taken place in class that week.
SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) homework will be set on Thursday each week and link to learning that has taken place in class.
Children should be using Times Table Rockstars, at least three times a week.
Homework is to be handed in on a Thursday, which is also when children will complete their spelling test.

Accelerated Reader:

You can keep track of your child's progress towards their target and their quiz scores by logging on to:
<https://global-zone61.renaissance-go.com/welcomeportal/2236544>

Please ensure children do not take quizzes at home. Any quizzes taken at home will be deleted in school.

You can also email andrewsargeant@boringdon.plymouth.sch.uk or claudiajames@boringdon.plymouth.sch.uk for support and advice with your child's work.

PE Times

PE time for this term will be:
6AS / 6CJ - Wednesday and Friday afternoon.

Please ensure that your child has a school P.E kit on the days that they have PE.

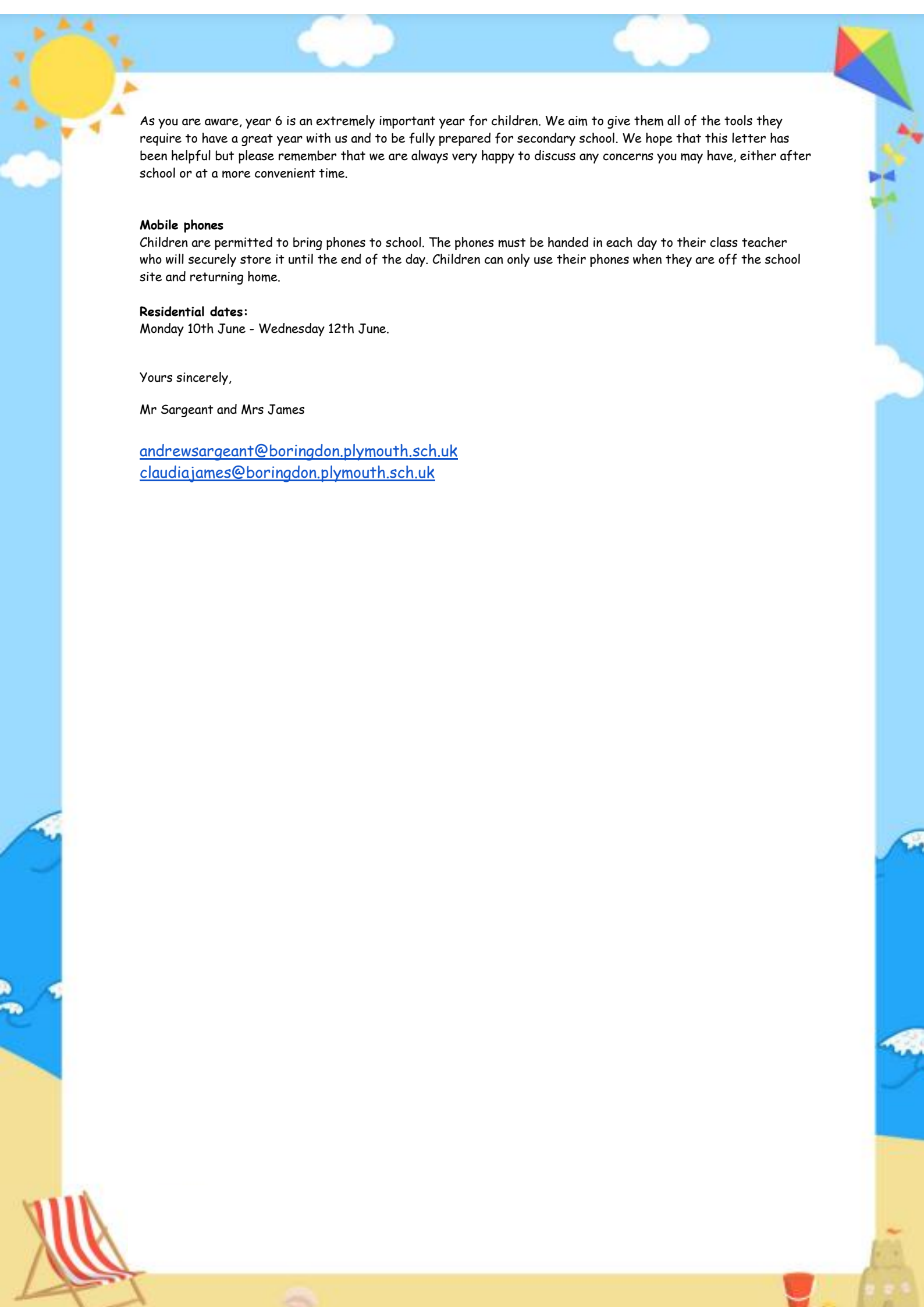
It is essential that all items are named as this ensures the safe return of lost pieces of kit. May we please stress that the children should wear School P.E kit (a coloured t-shirt linked to their house (plain or with school logo), plain black shorts and/or tracksuit bottoms). Over the past years, 'P.E kit' in a variety of styles and colours has been worn by some children. This mismatch of kit does not reflect the pride we have in our uniform and our school, and we are grateful for your support in ensuring that your child adheres to the acceptable kit. All jewellery items (earrings and watches) must be removed for PE sessions.

Snacks/Water

As a Healthy School we encourage healthy snacks such as fruit. Your child will be able to eat their snack during morning break. Although we provide beakers for water, we still encourage children to bring in a bottle of water. It has been proven that keeping hydrated by drinking throughout the day improves concentration. Children will not be allowed to consume energy or sports drinks in school as this is proven to inhibit concentration. Can we please emphasise that only a piece of fruit or vegetable is allowed for a break time snack.

Peanut & Nut Allergy

We now have a few children in our school with a severe peanut allergy. Just touching another child's hand or a wrapper that has contained peanuts or nuts could cause a severe life-threatening reaction. It would really help us to keep these children safe if you ensure your child brings no nut products to school in their packed lunch. Your support would be much appreciated.



As you are aware, year 6 is an extremely important year for children. We aim to give them all of the tools they require to have a great year with us and to be fully prepared for secondary school. We hope that this letter has been helpful but please remember that we are always very happy to discuss any concerns you may have, either after school or at a more convenient time.

Mobile phones

Children are permitted to bring phones to school. The phones must be handed in each day to their class teacher who will securely store it until the end of the day. Children can only use their phones when they are off the school site and returning home.

Residential dates:

Monday 10th June - Wednesday 12th June.

Yours sincerely,

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