

How to support your child in Year 6

Listen to your child read and discuss/ask questions about the text. Discuss the meaning of the text. Talk about why the character has done what they have done. Do you like the book? Why or why not? Why did the author choose? Talk about what you are reading.

Help your child practice their weekly spelling lists that should come home on a Monday ready for the test on Friday. Look, Cover, Write, Check.

Make sure homework is completed. Monday to Monday.

If your child has not understood what they need to do, and you are unsure how best to explain, get them to ask the teacher as soon as possible.

Encourage your child with writing e.g. keep a holiday/weekend diary

Why not make maths fun!! For e.g. Let them be the banker in Monopoly etc.

Keep practicing times tables at any available time - in the queue at the supermarket, in a traffic jam etc. Practice using maths in real-life situations e.g. reading timetables, money (how much change will you get?), telling the time with analogue as well as digital clocks, converting from 12 hour to 24-hour time and working out the duration of events.

Make sure your child goes to sleep at a reasonable time. Year 6 is a very challenging year; your child will have a much better chance of grasping difficult concepts if they arrive at school well-rested.