



Lowerhouse Junior School

Pupil Conferencing (SLT) – October 2025



Year 6 – Sycamore

<p>Do you enjoy lessons in Year 6? Tell me why.</p> <p>What are the key expectations set by adults in your class around attitudes to learning and your work?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – I like Year 6 as we must put the effort in to make sure, we get the work we are doing. I’m not saying Year 5 was easy but we could sometimes understand without putting in the work, but we can’t do that in Year 6. We are expected to always be ready to work. – The work is hard in class but Mr Pope helps us when we are stuck. He breaks down what we need to do and explains it to us. We are always reminded about our handwriting to be joined and cursive. – Year 6 is fun and hard work. It is completely different to Year 5 but it being hard is a good thing. In Year 6 we are told to have high expectations on the amount we get done.
<p>How does school keep you and children safe and around expectations around school?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – School is kept safe as people make sure the school is locked and safe at the end of the day. I live near school and see people checking the gates when locking up leaving at night. – In school certain doors are locked and staff can only unlock them using a fob. Most teachers have a green bit and you have red Mr Lloyd. Do they open different doors? – We practice fire drills, so we know what to do if the alarms go off. We must line up and then go onto the playground near the green sign.
<p>In Science you have been covering Classification. Can you talk me through what you have learnt? <i>(In Science we have been learning about Classification. Did you know?)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In science, we have been learning about classification. Did you know a man called Carl Linnaeus created classification and he simplified the names? He also made a detailed book for people to know about classifying animals. – In science, we have been learning about classification. Did you know animals fall into different kingdoms and species when classifying their features? <i>(Discussed features of some species and what some have in common e.g. birds and fish both lay eggs)</i> – In science, we have been learning about classification. Did you know the different categories for animals are mammals, arachnids, fish, birds, insects, crustations, reptiles, amphibians, annelids and mollusc?
<p>In Geography you have been learning about North America. Can you talk me through what you have learnt? <i>(In Geography we have been learning about the North America. Did you know?)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In geography, we have been learning about North America. Did you know in Death Valley, there is an animal called the Kangaroo Rat? It doesn’t need much water as it gets its water and food from seeds. – In geography, we have been learning about North America. Did you know the temperatures in Death Valley can get as hot as 134 degrees Fahrenheit or 57 degrees Celsius? It is close to the equator and is in California. – In geography, we have been learning about North America. Did you know only around 300 people live there in small hamlets (which are tiny villages of people)? <p>Additional facts that the children wished to add: The Colorado River is so long it runs through 3 National Parks and 7 countries. The Colorado River is red because it reflects the rocks and sun. Part of the Colorado River which is famous is the big bend called the horseshoe. The Colorado River is one of a few rivers that doesn’t flow to the sea and it also made the Grand Canyon.</p>
<p>Think of a topic you have covered in Maths during Year 6. Can you share what you have learnt?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – In Maths, we have been learning about long multiplication. Did you know we have to make sure the numbers stay in the correct columns and we must add a place holder when multiplying the tens? (Solved 327 x 24 using the correct long multiplication method).

(In Maths we have been learning about Did you know?)

– In Maths, we have been learning about long division. Did you know you have a better chance of getting it right if you write your key facts of x1, x2, x5, x10....to find x5 you find x10 and halve it? Solved $963 \div 23 = 40 \text{ r } 3$ using the correct methods and included x20 facts.

– In Maths, we have been learning about short division new methods. Did you know we use the bus stop method and carry on the remainders to the next number? Solved $973 \div 4$ but produced the answer with a remainder (243 r 1) as a fraction (243 $\frac{1}{4}$) and then as a decimal following discussion with Mr Lloyd (243.25)