



Ambition, Achievement, Aspiration

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Year 6

Most children in Year 6 will be working within Band 6. The meaning of each step is clarified below.

Step 6b - Your child is beginning to meet some of the requirements of the Year 6 programme of study.

Step 6b+ - Your child is becoming more confident in some of the requirements of the Year 6 programme of study.

Step 6w - Your child is working confidently within the Year 6 programme of study.

Step 6w+ - Your child is working confidently within the Year 6 programme of study and is meeting a significant proportion of its requirements.

Step 6s - Your child is secure in the majority of the requirements of the Year 6 programme of study.

Step 6s+ - Your child has met nearly all the requirements of the Year 6 programme of study and demonstrates a deep understanding of these.

Pupils working significantly above the expectation for their year group can be assessed in the next year group's band. (7b, 7b+, 7w etc).

If a child is not yet able to work within band 6, they will continue to be assessed within a lower band.

Broadly speaking, to meet age related expectations, a child should be a 6b (6 beginning) at the start of year 6 and a 7b (7 beginning) at the start of Year 7. However as children will inevitably be at different starting points at the beginning of Year 6, six steps of progress over the course of a year is considered good progress.

If you have any questions about the steps system of assessment, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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