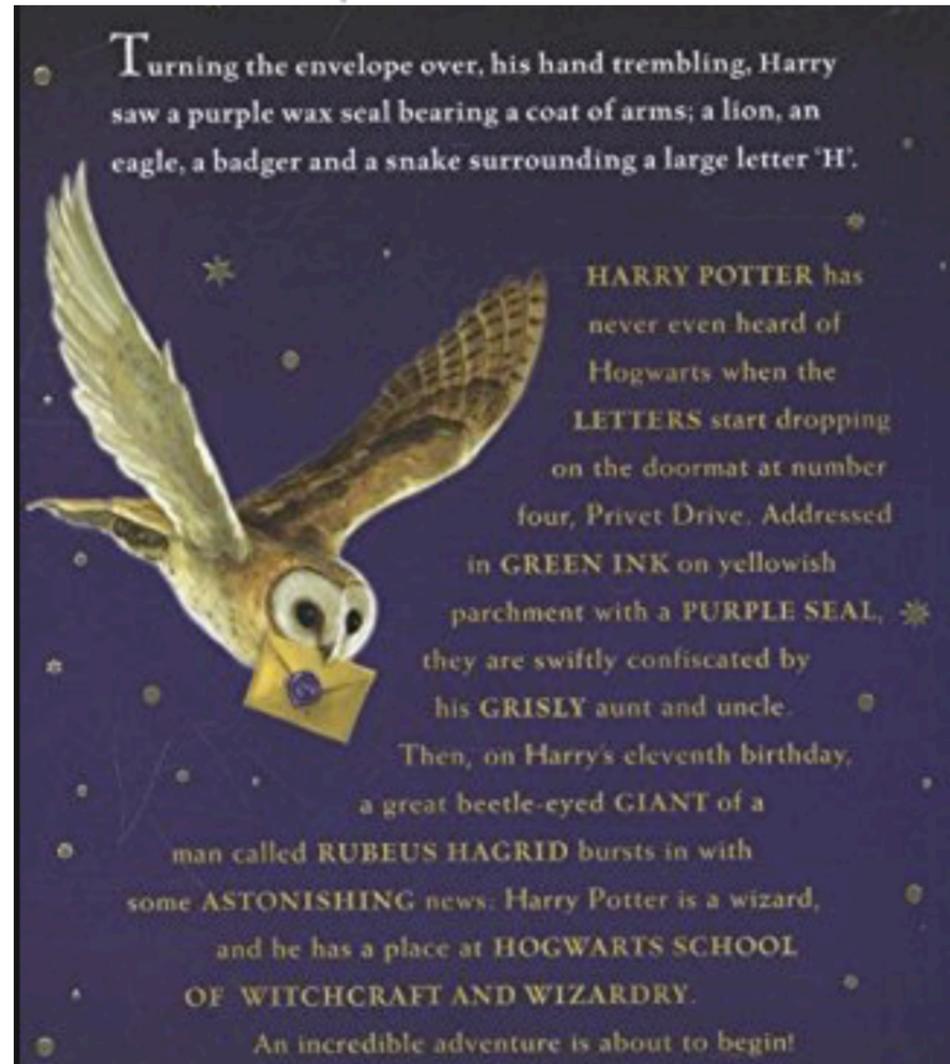


Key Vocabulary

- ajar** - To leave something slightly open.
- alchemy** - The medieval science of turning metals into gold.
- astronomy** - The study of the planets and stars.
- befuddle** - To be confusing or perplexing to another.
- dark magic** - Dangerous or evil magic.
- Death Eaters** - Witches and wizards known to be loyal to Lord Voldemort.
- Diagon Alley** - A street filled with wizarding shops.
- duelling** - This involves two wizards or witches fighting against one another with spells.
- ghoul** - A ghostly creature.
- goblin** - A highly intelligent race of small humanoids.
- Gringotts** - A wizarding bank in London ran by goblins.
- herbology** - The study of plants and their properties.
- Hogwarts Express** - A steam train which takes pupils from platform 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ at Kings Cross station to Hogwarts.
- jostle** - To make one's way by pushing or shoving.
- mantlepiece** - A structure about a fire in a house.
- mudblood** - A term or insult used to describe a person who has non-magical parents.
- muggle** - A person with no magical powers.
- mundane** - Normal
- phoenix** - A rare bird that bursts into flames when it dies and then is reborn from its ashes.
- potions** - A liquid containing ingredients that can have healing, magical or poisonous properties.
- prefect** - A student who has been given extra responsibilities and authority by teachers.
- quidditch** - A popular wizarding game played on broomsticks.
- runes** - Old symbols/alphabet used for writing.
- scrawny** - Very thin.
- shrill** - A high pitched sound or sharp tone.
- squib** - People born to wizarding families, but who have no magical abilities.
- stomp** - To walk heavily.
- transfiguration** - A spell for turning one thing into another e.g. a person into a cat.
- unicorn** - A mythical white horse-like creature with a golden mane and a golden horn.
- werewolf** - A human who takes the form of a wolf during every full moon.

THE WIZARDING WORLD OF Harry Potter

Year 6
(Spring Term)



When students arrive at Hogwarts they are sorted by the Sorting Hat into one of four houses.



	<p>This house was founded by Godric Gryffindor. Its students are brave, loyal, courageous, adventurous, daring and chivalrous. "Do what is right" is their motto.</p>
	<p>This house was founded by Salazar Slytherin. Its students are cunning, prideful, resourceful, ambitious, intelligent and determined. Slytherin house are not evil despite many dark wizards having been in this house.</p>
	<p>This house was founded by Rowena Ravenclaw. Its students are known for their wisdom, intelligence, creativity, cleverness and knowledge. "Do what is wise" is their motto.</p>
	<p>This house was founded by Helga Hufflepuff. Its students are known for their hard-work, dedication, fair play, patience and loyalty. Hufflepuff is known as being a "nice house" and they strongly believe in being kind to others.</p>

Dear Parents,

Our next topic is Harry Potter. Please help your children to prepare for this topic by helping them to learn the key words (in purple) and the facts on this sheet.

There are some homework activities on the back of this sheet. Your child can complete these at any time. Your child's teacher would love to see what they have created.

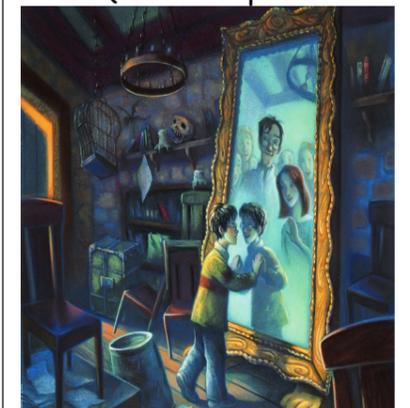
Thank you for your support.

Kind regards - Year 6 teachers

The Marauder's Map - This magical map of Hogwarts was created by Remus Lupin (Moony), Peter Pettigrew (Wormtail), Sirius Black (Padfoot) and James Potter (Prongs). This map shows where people are in Hogwarts so they can be avoided.



The Mirror of Erised - This shows the user his or her what they want most in the world (their deepest desires).



Character	About the character	Played in the film by	Character	About the character	Played in the film by
Harry Potter 	A wizard whose parents were killed by Lord Voldemort when he was a baby.	Daniel Radcliff	Draco Malfoy 	A member of Slytherin who has continuous tensions with Harry Potter.	Tom Felton
Hermione Granger 	She is an intelligent witch who enjoys reading. Her parents were dentists.	Emma Watson	Cho Chang 	A member of Ravenclaw, who is generally sweet and well mannered.	Katie Leung
Ron Weasley 	Ron has five older brothers and a younger sister.	Rupert Grin	Rubeus Hagrid 	Hagrid is half man half giant and is the grounds keeper at Hogwarts.	Robbie Coltrane and Martin Bayfield.

Lord Voldemort (often called He-Who-Must-Not-Be Named or You-Know-Who)
 Lord Voldemort was born Tom Marvolo Riddle. He is the archenemy of Harry Potter, who according to a prophecy has the power to vanquish Voldemort. Voldemort wants to rid the wizarding world of **Muggles** and to conquer both the wizarding world and the non-magical (**Muggle**) world. Through his mother's family, Voldemort is the last descendant of wizard Salazar Slytherin (the founder of Slytherin house).



Dragons

In the world of Harry Potter there are ten different dragons:

- Hungarian Horntail;
- Norwegian Ridgeback;
- Antipodean Opaleye;
- Chinese Fireball;
- Common Welsh Green;
- Swedish Short-Snout;
- Peruvian Vipertooth;
- Romanian Longhorn;
- Herbridean Black;
- Ukrainian Ironbelly (the largest breed in the wizarding world).



A dementor - These creatures guard the wizarding prison of Azkaban.

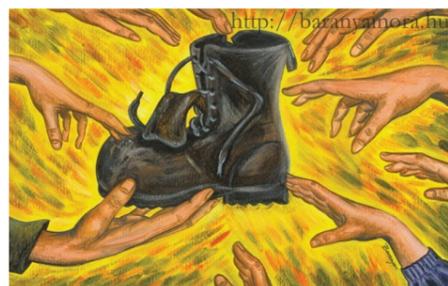


A Hippogriff - A creature that is half horse and half eagle. A hippogriff called Buckbeak lets Harry fly on him in the Book 'The Prisoner of Azkaban.'



Pixies - These are small, bright blue mischief-makers who love playing tricks and practical jokes. They can fly and are incredibly strong for their size.

A Portkey - Almost any object can be turned into a portkey. Once bewitched, the object will transport anyone who grasps it to a pre-arranged destination.



Homework Ideas

- (1) Design your own Mirror of Erised and draw what you would see if you looked into it.
- (2) Look at the house crests for the houses at Hogwarts. You have been asked to create a fifth house. Design a new crest for a new house. What will it be called? What qualities will your students have?
- (3) Sketch some of the Harry Potter characters or creatures.
- (4) Using some cardboard boxes, have a go at making your own Hogwarts Castle.



- (5) Using a twig and some grass. Can you make some Harry Potter small broomsticks?



- (6) There are many weird and wonderful creatures in the Harry Potter world. Draw your own character. What is it called? Write a short description for it.
- (7) Make a guide book about the dragons in Harry Potter. You'll need to draw them and write a description about some of them. Visit www.pottermore.com for information about dragons.

REMEMBER TO BRING INTO SCHOOL ANY HOMEWORK THAT YOU COMPLETE TO SHOW YOUR TEACHERS.