

Year 5/6 Summer Term Newsletter 2026

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What a fantastic school year we have had so far: science week, art week, geography work, parents' evenings and super progress made! Now we head into an exciting summer term! See below for a snapshot of our curriculum this term. We are also looking forward to warmer weather, sports day and the yr 6 performance in the following months.

PE:

This term:

Oak- Tuesday (tennis) and Thursday (cricket)

Chestnut- Tuesday (tennis) and Thursday (cricket)

Sycamore – Wednesday (swimming) and Thursday (cricket) **SWIMMING STARTS WEEK 1** of the summer term.

Please send your child into school in PE kit on these days. Children should wear their coloured house team t-shirt and school jumper with either black or grey joggers and plain, dark trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor P.E. Hair must be tied back and all jewellery removed at home please.

Maths:

In **year 6**, we will be focusing during the first few weeks on revision to embed what we have learnt and further prepare the children for their SATs. After that we will be completing projects involving mathematical skills.

In **year 5**, the children will be learning about shape, position and direction, decimals, negative numbers, converting units and volume. If your child is still finding times tables difficult to recall rapidly without counting, please ensure they access TT Rockstars to revise all of their times tables. Any support from home with times tables is greatly appreciated. Thank you!



English:

In English, we will be continuing to complete whole class reading four times a week. Children who need extra support will be heard more regularly by a staff member. Please continue to write in home-school diaries when they read at home. In writing, our work will be based on first-hand experiences / interests initially, then with a specific book focus. Sometimes our English writing will link with our topic focus to help enrich the children's writing experiences. Our class book this term is Holes by Louis Sachar. We will be writing: non chronological reports, narratives, instructions, explanations and letters.

We will continue to give children spelling slips that they are asked to stick onto their home-school, diaries. There are words that they have been working on in school.

Art and Design and Technology:

Design and Technology: we will design, make and evaluate a cable car with gears and pulleys. We will also be making bread.



Art: In our art lessons, we will be exploring colour and Batik.

Science:

In Science, we will complete our forces unit and then we will be exploring light. They will be learning about light travelling in straight lines and how light helps us to see, and also explain why shadows have the same shapes as objects.

Music:

The theme will be Motown and the song 'Dancing in the Street'; then 'Reflect, Rewind and Replay', plus we will use boom whackers and handbells.

Computing:

Year 5/6 children will be programming, looking at 'selection in quizzes', plus learning about flat file databases.

**PSHE:**

To begin with, we will be focusing on 'changes and growing up' looking at the human life cycle, strategies to manage transition, puberty and menstruation, personal hygiene, consent. The year 6 children will also look at conception and how babies are made (more information to follow later in the term).

RE:

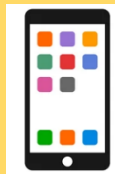
In RE for the summer term, we will be looking at 'What can be done to reduce racism?' and what religions say to us when life gets hard.

French:

We will learning how to speak about 'the weekend' and clothing.

**Mobiles:**

In Year 6, children are able to bring their mobile phone with them to school. They must hand it into the box when they arrive at school. They will then be stored in a locked cupboard and handed out again at the end of the school day. Children cannot turn them on during the school day nor whilst they remain on school grounds. School accept no responsibility for any phone brought to school; children do so at their own risk.

**Behaviour:**

We will continue to use the same behaviour policy as before-
We will send over and above cards home to let you know if your child has shown an exceptional attitude or behaviour that day. Similarly, we may speak to you or phone to let you know of something great that happened that day.
We will also continue to use the reminder, warning, last chance behaviour steps for any behaviour that disrupts learning. We will communicate with you about any time outs your child receives.
We will continue to have 'R' time on a Friday to reward the children's efforts.

We hope you found this newsletter helpful and the children have a great final term of the year!