



Y6 Spring Term 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Year 6 Team would like to give everyone a warm welcome back after the holidays and wish everyone a Happy New Year! This Half Class 6 are exploring the topic of The Second World War. Through this topic, children will develop their historical thinking, by providing opportunities for pupils to evaluate evidence in terms of propaganda and censorship and to consider the diversity of experience. It is important children appreciate what it was really like to have lived through World War Two. Our key questions are Why did Britain have to go to war in 1939? Why was it necessary for children to be evacuated and what was evacuation really like? How was Britain able to stand firm against the German threat? How did people manage to carry on normal life during the war and how do we know? Why is it so difficult to be sure what life on the Home Front was really like and What was VE day really like?

This term in English, we will be studying the modern classic "Skellig" by David Almond. Through studying this novel, the children will develop a deep understanding of the story, characters, themes and language. We will be covering vital SATs skills such as reading, including fluency, vocabulary and comprehension, and meaningful writing, for a range of form, purpose and audience.

This term the maths curriculum will be revisiting and building on children's knowledge of fractions, decimals and percentages and their relationship to one another. We will be also be covering measurements (including conversion of metric units) and solving problems through reasoning. In addition to this will be introducing children to the concepts of ratio, proportion and algebra. We encourage children to continue to hone their timetables knowledge using Times Table Rockstars as much as possible because a secure knowledge of these facts assists across the Year 6 maths curriculum.

Our PE Day is Tuesdays and Fridays. It is vital your child has the correct PE kit on these days. If your child is missing their PE kit we will call to request delivery before the start of the lessons.

Y6 SATs 2023

SATs is a term people use to refer to the End of Primary (Keys Stage 2) Assessments. It will last for four days in May 2023 and unless otherwise stated will go ahead on the following days:

Tuesday 9th May – Spelling Punctuation and Grammar

Wednesday 10th May – Reading

Thursday 11th May – Maths Paper 1 & 2

Friday 12th May – Maths Paper 3

How can I support my child in preparing for their SATs?

Firstly, a positive attitude goes a long way – so as much encouragement and support as possible. Ensure your child is eating and drinking and give them plenty of opportunities to go outside and avoid overuse of screens. Try to provide a quiet corner of the house for homework and study that's free from distractions as much as possible.

After School SATs tutoring will continue this term – every Tuesday and Thursday 3.20-4.00pm.

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