



Year 6 Newsletter

Summer 1—2024/2025



Notices and Reminders

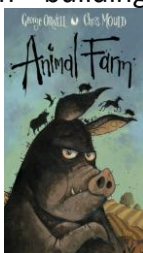
Year 6 PE day is on a **Friday**. Children should come to school in their PE kit – it is no longer necessary to leave PE bags at school.

Homework: there will be a focus on reading and times tables.

Remember to label all personal items with your child's name. This includes all lunch containers and water bottles.

Reading

During this half term, the children will finish reading 'Mortal Engines' by Philip Reeve. We will then move onto reading 'Animal Farm' by George Orwell. During the reading lessons, the children will concentrate on building their reading stamina, prosody and comprehension skills. The children will learn how to answer retrieval, inference, word choice sequencing and summary questions.



Writing

During this half term, the children will have opportunities to build independence in their writing. They will spend more time considering the audience and purpose of their writing and adjust the tone and formality of their writing accordingly. Children will be writing for a wide range of purposes including to entertain, inform, describe and persuade.



Key dates

Tuesday 22nd April - Children back to school

Friday 25th April - HLSA Disco

Monday 12th May – Thursday 15th May - KS2 SATS

Saturday 17th May - District Cross-country Run (9.30am)

Monday 19th – Friday 23rd May - Yr6 Bikeability

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May - Half Term Holiday

Friday 6th June - INSET Day

Monday 16^h June - Wednesday 18th June - Y6 Residential

Thursday 19th June - Y6 Trip to Lego Land

Wednesday 9th July - Sports Day (Timings to be confirmed)

Friday 18th July - Y5/ Y6 Production (9.30am)

Monday 21st July - Y6 leaver's Assembly (9.30am)

Monday 21st July - Y6 Leaver's Party (5-7pm)

Maths

This half term, children will revisit prior learning over a range of topics to build their confidence and independence in readiness for their SATs in May.

Additionally, they will be applying their knowledge to project work in which they will draw from multiple mathematical topics, work in small teams and achieve a set goal.



Science

Through our science lessons this term, the children will be learning about light. They will identify how light travels, explore reflection and refraction, as well as discover how shadows are formed. The children will also learn how the brain helps us to see.



PE

This half term, the children will be focussing on athletics, including running, jumping and throwing. They will begin by developing their speed and agility. They will then move onto jumps and throws. Finally, they will put these skills together into a competition.



Art

This half term, the children will be learning how to design and make paper mâché masks. They will begin by learning about the types of masks used around the world and comment on the similarities and differences, which media was used and what the purpose could be. When designing and making, the children will take inspiration from our reading book, Animal Farm.



PSHE

In PSHE this half term, the children will be focusing on 'How friendships change as we grow?' They will look at what makes a positive, healthy relationship and how to recognise an unhealthy one. Finally, we will look at why some friendships may change as we grow and how we can deal with these changes.



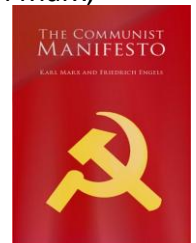
French

In French this half term, the children will learn some key facts from the history of the ancient and modern Olympic games in French. The children will learn to name 10 Olympic sports and how to conjugate the 1st and 3rd person form of the verb faire. In addition, the children will attempt to use the negative correctly.



History

This half term, the children will be learning about the Russian Revolution. They will explore capitalism and communism, and learn about key people such as Karl Marx, Tsar Nicholas II, Lenin and Stalin. They will explore the impact that propaganda, and these leaders, had on people around the world.



Suggested books for reading

