

# **Year 6 Newsletter**



# Summer 2—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

This half term, the children will continue 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.



#### **Key dates**

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term

Friday 6th June - INSET Day

Tuesday 3rd June - Y6 Train Workshop

Monday 9th - Friday 13th June - Active Travel Week

Thursday 12th June - Class Photos

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 RSE Week

Monday 16th - Wednesday 18th June - Y6 Residential

Thursday 19th June - Y6 trip to Legoland

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Kite Times Tables Championship

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June - HLSA LodgeFest

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June - Y6 Train Journey

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Kite Community Week

**Tuesday 1**st **– Thursday 3**rd **July -** Y6 secondary school transition days

Wednesday 9th July - Sports Day

Friday 11th July - HLSA Mufti Day

Tuesday 15th July - Reserve Sports Day

Friday 18th July - Y5/6 Production

Monday 21st July - Y6 Leavers Assembly and Leavers Party

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July - Last Day of term

# **Writing**

In writing lessons next half term, children will write for a range of different audiences and purposes, while developing independence and refining their understanding of year 6 grammar and punctuation. Instead of a formal

assessment, teachers will use the children's writing to make a final teacher assessment.



#### Maths

This half term, the children will revisit prior learning over a range of topics to build their confidence and independence. They will do this by completing projects and investigations that draw on a range of maths topics that have been taught throughout the year.



#### **Science**

This half term, the children will be learning about electricity. They will be investigating how the voltage of cells affect the brightness of a bulb and what can cause the brightness of a bulb to vary.



#### **History**

In history, the children will continue learning about the Russian Revolution, focusing on the power struggle between Trotsky and Stalin. They will explore Stalin's totalitarian rule,

including the Great Purge, the Gulag labour camps, and his Five-Year Plan to boost industrialisation and production across the Soviet Union.



# **Computing**

This half term, the children are going to be learning how to create videos. They will begin by looking at the different elements of videos and finishing by planning, creating and editing their own using the iPads.



#### PE

This term, the children are learning to play cricket. Each week they will focus on different skills and techniques for fielders, bowlers, batters and wicket-keepers. They will also be introduced to and implement and evaluate a range of team tactics.



## **Music**

In music this half term, the focus will be on playing together using dynamics (louds and softs) and expression. The children will learn to read a notated instrumental part, sing as part of a group and will learn to play the

glockenspiel. The children will learn that by changing the dynamics, music can be made more interesting.



#### RE

This half term, the children will learn how Christians, Jews, Sikhs and Muslims view creation. They will then study how some

people believe in scientific theories about the creation of the world and reflect on their own personal beliefs about this topic.



# **PSHE**

In PSHE, the children will be learning about responsibility - responsibilities they and others have. As they look forward to moving onto secondary school soon, they will spend time talking about what changes will come for them.

# **French**

This half-term in French, the children will be looking closely at the phonics of French to help practise correct and precise pronunciation.

# <u>DT</u>

This half term, there will be a focus on cooking and nutrition. The children will explore how different foods are processed from farm to fork, learning more about where our food comes from. In groups, they will be inspired to create, prepare and cook a three-course meal after understanding flavour profiles and foods that work in harmony together.



