

Dates to remember:

Date	Event
Monday 9 th September	Welcome to Year 6 information meeting (9am)
Monday 9 th September	House Captain talks to be submitted
Thursday 12 th September	House Captain votes
Week beginning 7 th October	Test week
Week beginning 7 th October	DT Week
Monday 14 th October	Y5 & Y6 Trip New Scientist Live
Friday 18 th October	RAF Museum
Tuesday 22 nd October	Parents' Evening (Long)
Wednesday 23 rd October	Parents' Evening (Short)
Friday 25 th October	INSET Day
28 th October - 1 st November	Half Term
Thursday 31 st October	Closing date for Secondary School applications
November	Bikeability dates tbc
Thursday 7 th November	Pilots of the Caribbean workshop
Week beginning 11 th November	TT Rockstars Round 1 in maths groups
Wednesday 4 th December	Theatre Trip to see The Lion King
Monday 9 th December 1.45-2.45pm	Police Talk for parents Internet Safety
Tuesday 10 th December	Y6 Police visit 'Future Life'
Friday 13 th December 9-10am	Police Parent Talk to Y5 & Y6 parents only
Friday 20 th December	Christmas holidays (2pm)

Don't forget to keep checking on our school Twitter page, for photographs of school activities and sporting events that take place this year.

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Year 6 Newsletter

Autumn Term 2024

Edition 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday and that the children are ready for the busy school year ahead.

The aim of this newsletter is to give you more detailed information about activities and events taking place in Year 6 this half term. If you have any questions, you can contact us through the Year 6 email address or preferably in person.

We really look forward to working with you and your children throughout this academic year.

The Year 6 team

We have been really enjoying getting to know our classes and are so impressed with their lovely manners and the effort already being demonstrated in all their lessons. Year 6 is a busy year but we have so many exciting things to look forward to.

This half term we are looking forward to learning all about what life was like during World War 2 and we will be reading an excellent story called Friend or Foe by Michael Morpurgo. In science, we will start the year by discovering how life has evolved over time and how we inherit our genes from our parents to make us all unique. In maths, we will be following the White Rose schemes of work. More detailed information regarding our Autumn Term Curriculum can be found on our website.

Welcome to Year 6 information meeting

We held a Parent Meeting to share information about how we can all help support the children with their learning throughout Year 6 and in preparation for their SATs in May. All children will receive the packs handed out during this meeting or after if you were unable to attend.

Spellings

This year, the children have been given spelling books where they need to record sentences for each of their spelling words for that week. An overview of all the spellings tested this year was included in the pack from the parent meeting. Please also use this QR code to find the statutory word list for Year 5 and 6 (page23). These are words frequently used and often misspelled in pupils' writing. When we moderate the children's writing, we check that these words especially, are spelt accurately.



Trips information 2024/25

We have already begun booking trips for this year. We are conscious of the cost of these trips and will endeavour to keep costs as low as possible, taking public transport where possible. This term, we will be visiting the RAF Museum in Hendon and an optional theatre trip to watch The Lion King. There will also be an opportunity for some pupils in Y5&Y6 to join together for a trip to New Scientist Live.

Home learning timetable

Year 6 is the year in which we prepare the children for transition to Year 7. We expect the children to complete the following homework each week. If they are ever stuck, they just need to ask their teachers for help.

	Handed out	Due in
Spellings	Weekly - sentences to be written into spelling books	
Grammar or writing	Thursday	Tuesday
Maths	Thursday	Tuesday
Reading	Minimum of five times per week. Please ensure the children's Reading Records are signed and dated after they have read.	

Equipment list

To ensure your children are ready to learn each day, please provide them with the following equipment. When equipment is missing, this can impact on the learning time we have in lessons.

A black pen	Glue stick
A green pen	Whiteboard pen
Pencil	Colouring pencils
Ruler	Protractor
Rubber	Pencil sharpener

Reading log

We expect the Year 6 children to read for a minimum of five times a week. Please can this be recorded and signed by a parent or carer in their reading logs. We will look at this and sign each week. Each teacher will let their classes know when this is due each week.

Timetables

Each class has been given their own class timetable. Please have a look to see what is happening each day. Please ensure your children's PE kit is in school every day.

House Captain talks

This year, we are asking the children to record their speeches which we will then show to the children across the school. Please can all videos be sent to us by Monday 9th September. If the children would like to record their speeches in school, we will be happy to help. Please just let us know.