



Year 6 Newsletter

During Spring 2, our topic was 'Dangerous Places'. We had so many exciting moments – but here are just a few to share!



The children took part in several exciting reading activities for World Book Day this year. These included exploring a poem together as a class, sharing their favourite books to celebrate reading for pleasure, and enjoying books with a different year group. Year Six were also inspired by a special visit from a mystery reader.

In Science, pupils learned about the human circulatory system. They discovered the function of blood and what it is made of. They particularly enjoyed the fantastic opportunity to dissect a sheep's heart, observing its intricacies and identifying the components they had studied. They also explored how to keep the heart healthy through diet, exercise and lifestyle choices.



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We loved seeing our school community unite for the annual fun run, raising funds for Cancer Research while showing just how committed we are to being a healthy, active school.

*Summer 1 Topic:
Dream Catchers*

What will my child be learning?

English: In English, we will be writing letters of complaint inspired by Roald Dahl's short story *The Landlady*. In these letters, we will practise maintaining a consistently formal tone and using a range of formal punctuation

Maths: This half term, we will be celebrating the children's skills as fantastic mathematicians by revisiting and consolidating previously taught areas of mathematics.

Reading: In Reading, we will be exploring a range of ambitious texts - including our spine book *The Girl of Ink and Stars* - to develop the children's reading fluency, retrieval, inference, and comprehension skills.

Science: This term in Science, the children will be taking on an exciting STEM project—STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics! They will explore the science of flight, learning about the forces that make things soar, as they design, build, test, and refine their own gliders. Working in collaborative groups, the children will draw on their prior knowledge and skills, putting their creativity and problem solving to the test.

RE: In RE, we will continue our learning about Humanism, exploring their views on happiness and the different ways people can lead a fulfilling life.

Art: In Art, we are excited for our annual Arts Weeks, with this year's theme, *'Feelings in Bloom.'* Don't miss the chance to see the children's wonderful creations at our Arts Open Event next half term!

PE: Children will take part in a variety of Outdoor Adventurous Activities designed to build their problem-solving and teamwork skills. Please visit our website for details on PE kit expectations

PD: In PD, we will support the children's well-being by exploring ways to build positive mind sets and resilience.

Social Media and Online Safety

It is essential that children stay safe online. Most popular social media apps and platforms, such as TikTok, Instagram, and Snapchat, require users to be at least 13 years old. If your child uses a device with internet access or apps, please check their devices - including their search history and app usage - regularly. If you need support, speak to your child's class teacher, as we also run IT drop-in sessions for parents and carers.

Homework

Instead of the usual homework tasks, we will be providing children with weekly revision tasks. Please support your child with any areas they are finding challenging. Children who complete their home learning each week will be awarded 10 homework points.

In Summer 2, children will be receiving weekly homework to prepare them for Secondary School.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 11th May-Friday 15th May: SATs week

Please avoid booking holidays or non-emergency medical appointments during SATs week. A restful night's sleep will help children feel refreshed and ready to give their best in the tests.

15th May: Year 6 trip to Greenwich Park

Year 6 will enjoy a reward trip to Greenwich Park for children who have shown positive behaviour throughout the term. The trip will go ahead after all SATs have been completed.

RSE Parent Meeting for Year 5 and 6: 20th May at MW at 3:45 – 4:30

Inset Day: 22rd May (school closed all day)

Half Term: 25th May – 29th May

KS2 SATs

| Date | Activity |
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| Monday 11 May 2026 | English grammar, punctuation and spelling Papers 1 and 2 |
| Tuesday 12 May 2026 | English reading |
| Wednesday 13 May 2026 | Mathematics Papers 1 and 2 |
| Thursday 14 May 2026 | Mathematics Paper 3 |

Breakfast Club

We warmly encourage all Year 6 children to attend. From 11th to 14th May, we will be running a free breakfast club starting at 7:30am. We would love for every child to join us! If your child usually attends breakfast club, there is no need to book them in for this week.

Well-being

We are doing everything we can to help the children feel calm and positive as they approach their SATs, and we would greatly appreciate your support at home. If you have any concerns about your child's well-being, or if you would like guidance regarding SATs or the transition to Secondary School, please speak to your child's class teacher. Most importantly, encouraging your child to simply do their best can make a big difference!