

# Y6 Spring Newsletter



## Welcome

Happy New Year Y6, parents and carers. We hope you've all had a lovely, restful holiday and enjoyed spending time with loved ones.

What a wonderful first term we had. The children came into Y6 with a fantastic attitude to learning and are already showing fantastic progress, which is reflected in all areas.

As a Y6 team, we want to thank you all for your continued support.

Miss Pratt, Mr Harrison and Mr Wassell

## Y6 Key Staff

Class	Teacher/s	Teaching assistants
Y6H	Mr Harrison Miss Cooper	Miss Matti
Y6W	Mr Wassell	Miss Matti Mr Robinson Ms Rahim
Y6P	Miss Pratt	Ms Burton Miss Robinson

## Spring Curriculum

Below is an outline of the topics Year 6 will be covering over the term. For further details, please visit our website under the 'our learning' section. **The 'Key learning' documents are great for a snapshot of the most important facts and understanding.**

### Spring 1

<b>English</b>	Narrative writing based on The Unforgotten Coat by Frank Cottrell Boyce
<b>Whole Class Reading</b>	Fiction – Goodnight Mr Tom Non-fiction - Dictionary of Science & Plants and Animals
<b>Maths</b>	Number – fractions (including decimals and percentages)
<b>Times tables focus</b>	All times tables facts (weekly 2 minute test)
<b>Science</b>	light
<b>History or Geography (we rotate units termly)</b>	Planet Earth's major lines
<b>Art or DT (we rotate units termly)</b>	Electrical Systems – Creating a Game
<b>Computing</b>	Programming
<b>Personal Development</b>	Physical health
<b>Music</b>	Ostina
<b>RE</b>	Creation and origin
<b>PE – Games with Ms Powell</b>	basketball
<b>PE – with teacher</b>	dance

### Spring 2

<b>English</b>	Persuasive writing based on Suffragette: The Battle for Equality by David Roberts
<b>Whole Class Reading</b>	Fiction – Goodnight Mr Tom Non-fiction- Dictionary of Science & Plants and Animals
<b>Maths</b>	Measurement, Ratio and Proportion
<b>Times tables focus</b>	All times tables facts (weekly 2 minute test)
<b>Science</b>	Light continued
<b>History or Geography (we rotate units termly)</b>	Local history
<b>Art or DT (we rotate units termly)</b>	Sculpture
<b>Computing</b>	Understanding and Sharing Data
<b>Personal Development</b>	Physical health
<b>Music</b>	Ostina
<b>RE</b>	Creation and origin
<b>PE – Games with Ms Powell</b>	basketball
<b>PE –with teacher</b>	dance

**Assessments this term:** Our next testing week is w/c 5<sup>th</sup> February. This will be carried out in class. Our next one after is scheduled for w/c 4<sup>th</sup> March. This one will be a mock-SATs week.

## Y6 Key dates

Date	Event
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Crucial Crew Trip
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	FODS Valentines Stall (during school time)
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	School closed – inset day. Start of February half term holiday
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	School re-opens
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Young Voices concert at the arena
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day – <b>Note that this week, there will be a book fair</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents' evening
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter (school closed Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> due to bank holiday)

## PPA

This year, the teaching team will have their planning, preparation and assessment time on alternative **Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.**

During this time, your child will be taught P.E, Music or R.E from our specialised PPA teachers.

Miss Powell – P.E

Mrs Dawson – Music

Miss Cooper– R.E

## Home Learning

This half term, your child will be provided with three '10 Minute Test' revision books to help them recap their Key Stage 2 learning each week, alongside their regular Home Learning. These focus upon Maths skills, Reading comprehension and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling skills. They take the format of 'Ten Minute Tests', which will allow your child to revisit their learning in small chunks. While home learning is expected of children, the Ten-Minute Tests booklets are a voluntary additional task for children to complete at home. They were initially provided in 2022 as a response to parent feedback as families wanted to support children in revising their learning before Key Stage 2 assessments in May. You however, know your child best and it is important that you decide upon an appropriate level of time / expectation for your child. Please focus upon the expected Home Learning as a priority and only complete the additional revision if you feel your child can manage.

## P.E

Class	Day	PPA PE Day
<b>Y6H</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
<b>Y6P</b>	<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Y6W</b>	<b>Friday</b>	

## Your support and help

**We love parent / carer helpers and this term, we are asking for some help with specific activities:**

Y6H	Y6P	Y6W
All three classes will would appreciate some volunteers to come on our trip to Crucial Crew on Wednesday 7th February. It will be a full day's trip. A letter will be sent out shortly with all of the required information.		