

Year 6 Autumn Term 2025

Autumn Dates

- *Y6 parent meeting - **Monday 15th September, 5pm**
- Stockport Air Raid trip - **Thursday 18th September**
- Secondary school application deadline - **Friday 31st October**
- Bikeability - **November** (specific date for each child will be sent out closer to the time)

*Parent Meeting

Monday 15th September, 5pm, School Hall

We encourage all parents to attend a meeting to discuss the changes to the Y6 curriculum and to give new details about the year ahead. We will be delivering key messages about how best to support your child during their time in Year 6.



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year! We hope you have had a lovely summer holiday and are ready for a busy and exciting Year 6. We've been looking forward to settling the children back into school and to all the experiences that the final year at primary school brings with it.

School timings

To help prepare for high school, only Year 6 students are allowed to enter the school at **8:40 AM** (once the gates have opened) and make their way independently to their classroom to begin their morning registration activities. Year 6 children should not line up on the KS2 yard.

If you wish for your child to walk home from school at 3:25 PM, please email the school office to provide consent for this. If your child is unable to attend an after-school club, please contact the office to ensure club registers are updated.

Communication

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do get in touch with us. We can be contacted using our class email address and we will do our very best to reply after our teaching commitments. We do however ask that **if your email is urgent, please contact the office** who will notify us as soon as possible.

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Belongings

It is very important children keep hydrated throughout the day - please send your child in with a clearly labelled bottle which can be used in school each day. Children also need to bring a coat to school every day as we will go out for some fresh air even if the weather is a little bit damp. Similarly, children should bring a sun hat/cap in sunnier weather. Children should not bring their own pencil cases as all materials are provided by school.

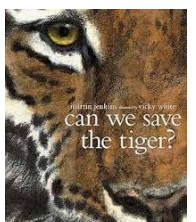
If absolutely necessary, children can bring their mobile phone to school, however we do not encourage this. Use of phones is not permitted on school grounds for safeguarding reasons. Any phones or smart devices (e.g. Apple watches) must be handed to class teachers at the start of the school day.



Curriculum information

English

Daily Pathways to Write lessons will teach children the grammar, punctuation and spelling skills necessary to write across a range of genres. During the first half term, we focus on a text called 'Star of Fear Star of Hope' by Jo Hoestlandt and as we approach the end of the term, we will turn our attentions to 'Can we Save the Tiger' by Martin Jenkins.



Reading

Pathways to Read sessions focus on reading fluency and VIPERS comprehension questions. We have 2 key texts this term: *When We Were Warriors* by Emma Carroll, and *A Place Called Perfect* by Helen Duggan. Our focus this year is to ensure children read fluently and at a suitable pace. Please encourage children to read at home and, when possible, please listen to your child reading to give them the opportunity to practise reading with intonation.



Maths

We will follow the White Rose Maths Hub structure - please see the Y6 webpage for a list of topics we will cover this term. Standard Assessment Tests (SATs) require pupils to use arithmetic and reasoning and problem skills flexibly, and so from now until Christmas, we focus on securing children's arithmetic skills, including times tables. Please encourage children to make use of Times Tables Rock Stars at home to support recall of multiplication and division facts.

Science

Science this term will focus on electricity and after half-term, we learn about how we see things as part of our 'Light' unit. Throughout the year, we will develop our working scientifically and scientific enquiry skills.

PSHE



In Year 6, My Happy Mind sessions are extremely important in helping children develop resilience, self-awareness, and strategies for managing emotions. The program supports well-being through positive psychology and neuroscience, empowering them to thrive both in and out of the classroom.

In Year 6, we continue to use the *No Outsiders* programme to teach children about diversity, inclusion, and respect for all people, regardless of differences. The lessons help prepare pupils for life in modern Britain by promoting equality and fostering a sense of belonging for everyone.

In PSHE this term, we will begin with the unit *Being Me in My World*, followed by *Celebrating Difference*, focussing on building self-awareness, empathy, and respect for others.

History

In history lessons, we will learn about World War Two and the Battle of Britain. We begin by exploring how the Second World War started and then study the start of the war and some of the battles that took place, including the Battle of Britain. After half-term, we will learn about the Home Front following a trip to Stockport Air Raid Shelter.



Physical Education

P.E. is timetabled twice a week: **Wednesday and Friday**. Please ensure your child wears appropriate PE kit (white t-shirt, dark shorts/leggings, appropriate trainers, red school jumper) as per school policy on the correct days.

Foundation Subjects

Please see the table below for an overview of what we will cover in the other foundation subjects this year. Links to our overarching topic 'World at War' are made where appropriate.

	D&T	Computing	RE	Music	Art	French	PE
Autumn 1		Programming: <i>Variables in games</i>	Diversity <i>What does it mean to belong in a religiously diverse world?</i>	Hey, Mr Miller	Drawing, Painting, Collage <i>WW2: Paul Nash</i>	This is me	Hockey Tag Rugby
Autumn 2	Electrical systems <i>More complex switches (steady hand game)</i>	Creating Media: <i>Web page creation</i>	Sikhism <i>How do Sikhs worship?</i>			Homes and houses	Hockey Basketball

Homework & Spellings

Spellings will be set and tested weekly - all spelling lists (current and future) are available on the Year 6 web page. Homework is set using Google Classroom and will be due in the following week. Homework will either be online or paper based. If your child cannot remember their login details, please email us using the class email addresses.

Best wishes,
Miss Avery and Mr Cunnington