

Year 6 - Summer 1 Newsletter



Welcome to the summer term! We hope that you have had a great Easter break!

This half term we will be doing lots of revision to help build the children's confidence when tackling the SATs. Please reassure your child, or raise awareness, if they are feeling particularly worried or anxious. As a school, we do try to make sure the children do not feel any pressure about taking their SATs; however, they may put pressure on themselves or feel pressured due to the nature of it being a test. At school, our main message is, "Always try your best!" which is all that we ask of the children. Please feel free to reiterate this message to them if they are feeling overly anxious.

Literacy: We will complete our work on Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by writing a set of instructions on how to play Quidditch. There will be a focus on Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) activities - inducing revision. We will continue to focus on retrieval and inference and have a higher focus on how to mark 3 mark questions in Reading.

Maths: We will be recapping our previous learning and embedding our basic skills in Maths. Our main topics for this term are: Measurement: area, perimeter and volume; Statistics; and Geometry: properties of shape. We will then focus on some SATs revision and embed our knowledge.

PE: Every **MONDAY**. Please come into school in your PE kit. No jewellery or watches will be allowed to be worn during PE and long hair must be tied up. This term, we will be continuing our unit on: dance. We have done clap and stamp to build a count of 4/8. Now we will use that knowledge to learn Bhangra dance and 70s disco.

Science: Living things and their habitats

Computing: Data and spreadsheets

PSHE: Mindfulness and growth mindset; Living in the wider world

RE: We will focus on the enquiry questions: How could Humanists lead good lives?

MFL: Adventures of Karla and Kai (German)

Music: Jazz + Blues

<u>Reading</u> is an integral part of your child's education and support from home will be very much appreciated. It is expected that children read their individual book at home least 4 times a week please. Children also have access to MyOn at home where they can read additional books through an online library. Please fill in the reading records to show us that your child has read at home.



<u>Homework</u> Compulsory weekly spellings will be sent home. In addition, all children have access to: Sparx Maths (which is in-line with our teaching curriculum in school and would help embed skills taught at school at home), Times Table Rock Stars and Prodigy which will help support in their learning in mathematics. All children also have access to MyOn and Spelling Shed. Any assistance you can provide at home to help your child remember their times tables will make a big difference to their attainment at school which will support them in our preparation for SATs.

SATSs Week

SATs week this year is the week commencing 13th May 2024.

The timetable for the week will look like this:

Monday: Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (45 minutes + spelling test);

Tuesday: Reading (1 hour);

Wednesday: Arithmetic (30 minutes) and Reasoning (40 minutes);

Thursday: Reasoning (40 minutes).

<u>Stanley Head Residential Trip</u>

In the first week back after half term, some of us will be going to Stanley Head Outdoor Education Centre. Please look our for additional information.

Please do send any of the Year 6 staff a message on Class Dojo if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Powell, Mrs Bebbington and Mrs Degg