

Year 6 Summer 1 Newsletter 2024

Welcome to the Summer Term, which has arrived far too quickly and will fly by so fast!

You are very welcome into school at the end of the day on Friday 10th May for our Year 5 & 6 Friendly Friday, when you can have a look at some of their work.

For our Science topic, we are happy once again to be joined by Dr M, who will be helping us in our topic of electricity. He will give fun, practical demonstrations and leading hands-on experiments using electrical components when the pupils will design their own circuit investigations.

SATs week will be taking place during the week of Monday 13th May – Friday 17th May. We know this can be a nervous time for the children, but we have been preparing for these tests, and they are ready to do their best and feel proud of themselves. We ask that they be encouraged to get plenty of sleep during that week so they are fresh in the mornings to do the tests. If they are unwell, please call school to discuss this.

Numeracy Day on Wednesday 22nd May will be a day celebrating numbers when the children can dress as a number, and they will have a performance by the Hobgoblin Theatre Company about the history of number.

Looking forward to after half term, we have lots more scheduled including the Guildford Cathedral Leavers' Service on 18th June. This service is for all the schools in the Diocese and the pupils come together to celebrate their time at primary school with staff members and takes place in school time. Smart uniform is requested for this special occasion. Unfortunately, this is not open to parents.

Also taking place next half term will be Sports Day, Secondary School Visit days, the Year 6 Production and the residential to PGL Osmington Bay.

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If at any point, you would like to speak to any of us, please email us directly.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates:

Monday 6th May – BANK HOLIDAY

Friday 10th May – Year 5 & 6 Friendly Friday

13-17th May – SATs Week

22nd May – Numeracy Day

27th May – 31st May – HALF TERM

18th June – Year 6 Leavers' Service

19th June – STEM Lego Robot Workshop

25th June – KS2 Sports Day

2nd & 3rd July – Fullbrook and BDB Transition Days

28th June – Year 5 & 6 Friendly Friday

8th - 12th July – PGL Osmington Bay

23rd July – TERM ENDS

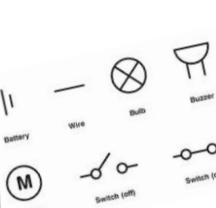
Reminders:

Internet Safety - Please make sure that what your child is accessing online is age appropriate. Be aware of age restrictions for social network accounts and control what they are posting online and messaging apps.

PE Days - PE Kit to be worn on Tuesdays and Thursdays - both PE sessions will take place outside weather permitting. Hair should be tied back and earrings removed.

Geography

We will be studying about the Amazing Americas in our Geography unit this term and finding out about countries in both North and South America. We will compare weather and climate across the continents, and make comparisons of human and physical features between two countries and England.



Science

In Science, we will be studying electricity and building on what we have learnt already.

We will be exploring how the brightness of a bulb can be changed by the voltage of cells used in the circuit. We will be finding out how components function, and how to draw a simple circuit diagram using recognized symbols.

English

Our exciting book this half term is Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz, which we will use as inspiration to write a diary entry as the main character, a formal letter applying to be a spy, a persuasive leaflet about our own design of a spy gadget and an exciting story full of suspense and action.



PSHE

Keeping Myself Safe

We will look at our emotional and physical needs, keeping safe on mobile phones, and we will look at the laws around drugs and alcohol and what is risky behaviour associated with them.

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RE

In RE, we will explore what the Bible says about identity, relationships and friendships. We will reflect on how relationships which have broken down can be repaired through forgiveness.

Art

In Art and Design we will study Composition of Art and the 7 basic elements of Art using various media and taking inspiration from a variety of artists and craftspeople including: John Singer Sargent; Ansel Adams; Frank Lloyd Wright; Mary Cassatt. Through studying their work, we will learn skills such as composition, elements of art, contextual drawing, collage and photography, and creating final piece using observation of still life.

Maths

Our learning in Maths will be revision and building our understanding of how to apply skills and concepts learnt to solve mathematical problems.

We will then use these skills to design our own theme park and using a budget, set up and work out overheads, running costs and profit.

PE

Cricket – we will be learning fielding skills such as bowling, and batting skills.

Athletics – we will be building skills used in track events such as sprint starts in running.

Computing

This term, we will be learning about Websites, and what makes a good one, how to create one, the Laws in Copyright, and considering what we should link to a Website.

Music

In this unit we learn about soundtracks in films and explore how music can change and enhance movies.

Spanish

We will learn how to describe places in our town such as different shops, taking journeys and giving directions.