

WELCOME TO YEAR 6



Your teacher is called Mr Collingwood

Your teaching assistant is called Emma Parkin

Key Information for Year 6:

Year 6 Information Meeting - 'End of Key Stage 2 SATs and Residential Trip

Please come along to our Year 6 Information Meeting on Thursday 25th September 2025 at 3:30-4pm. At this meeting we will discuss the End of Key Stage 2 SATs that will take place in the week commencing Monday 11th May 2025. On this date, we will also discuss the residential trip to PGL Caythorpe Court that will take place from Wednesday 17th June to Friday 19th June 2026.

Challenge Weeks

In preparation for SATs, there will be a 'Challenge Week' where the class will complete practice SATs papers under test conditions. The results of these tests will be used to help support pupils with their learning throughout the year.

Hint and Tips for your child

These helpful hints will ensure your school year runs smoothly:

- **Ask for help when needed:** Speak to an adult at home or school if you have any questions or concerns.
- **Be prepared to learn:** Get a good night's sleep, have a healthy breakfast, complete your homework/reading, and pack your school bag the night before.
- **Stay organised:** Pack your bag the night before and keep it somewhere you'll remember to grab in the morning.
- **Stay hydrated:** Bring a water bottle to school each day.
- **Healthy snacks:** You're welcome to bring a healthy snack for playtime.
- **Be ready for any weather:** Always bring a coat, even on warm mornings, to ensure a comfortable break and lunchtime.

Timetable

In our school, every day is different but a typical day in Year 6 looks like this:

8:45am	Registration & Morning Challenge
9:00am	Reading
9.30am	English
10:30am	Play Time
10:45am	Collective Worship
11:00am	Mathematics
12:00pm	Lunch Time
1:00pm	Registration & Reading
1:15pm	Science
2:15pm	Fit in 15
2:30pm	RE
3:00pm	Class Reader
3:15pm	Home Time

There will also be lessons in the following subjects: Religious Education (R.E.), Personal, Social, Health & Economic Education (P.S.H.E.), Science, Computing, Geography, History, Spanish, Art & Design, Design & Technology (D.T.), Music and Physical Education (P.E.).

Spanish will be taught by Mrs Emery and music by Mrs Young.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays**; please make sure your child is wearing their P.E. kit on these days and has a spare pair of trainers. At times, children may be asked to bring in their P.E. kit and / or trainers, if they are practising for a school sports event. There are lots of ways to represent the school in lots of different sports such as cross country, netball, football, rugby, cricket, rounders and boccia.

Outdoor Learning

Outdoor Learning can happen on any day, so please ensure your child is always ready:

Wellies: Have a pair of wellies at school for outdoor activities.

Raincoat: Keep a raincoat at school or bring it each day, as we may head outside regardless of the weather.

This ensures we can take advantage of learning opportunities outside, no matter the forecast!

Library

Year 6 will visit the library bus on **Tuesdays** so make sure your child has their library book on that day.

Homework

Homework is very important. It helps pupils become an independent learner and gives you an insight into your learning. Homework will be set every full week. Homework focuses on reading, mathematics and spelling.

Reading

Children must read every day for 25 minutes and should be recorded in Reading Records. Please make sure an adult signs next to each record. Please remember reading books and Reading Records need to be in school every day!

Spellings

We will introduce our spellings in class on a Monday, please make sure your child practises their spellings throughout the week. There will be a spelling activities to complete on Spelling Shed. This will be available from Saturday to Saturday. There will be a spelling test every Friday.

Mathematics

Children must complete a maths activity on MyMaths every week. This maths activity will practise the maths we are learning in class. This will be available for on MyMaths from Saturday to Saturday. Children can also practise their multiplication tables on Times Tables Rock Stars.

Spelling Shed, MyMaths and Times Tables Rockstar login information can be found in your child's Reading Record.

Expectations

We expect everyone in our school to be 'Ready, Respectful, Safe'. We celebrate good behaviours and recognise and reward children who go 'above and beyond'. In class, children will receive lots of praise and house points. They may even be asked to display their name on the recognition board in our classroom or even be given a 'positive note' to take home. During our Celebration collective worship on Fridays, they may receive a 'School Value' certificate, a 'Well Done' certificate, a 'Head of House award' or be named our 'Star of the Week'.

Attendance & Punctuality

Children's attendance is very important! Maximum attendance at school provides them with the greatest opportunity to learn. No request for time away from school for a holiday can be authorised. School starts at 8.45am and we will begin learning straight away, so it is vital children are in school on time, every day. Every minute counts when it comes to learning! This also helps children get ready for the day of learning. Your child's attendance and punctuality are monitored and recorded every day.

School Uniform

Full school uniform must be worn every day. This includes wearing school P.E. kit on the days we have P.E. Please make sure your child's uniform, P.E. kit, coat, water bottle and lunch box are clearly labelled. This will lessen the chance of belongings being lost or misplaced. There is no need to bring pencil cases to school; we will provide everything they need to learn.

Parents & Carers

Here are a few suggestions of ways in which you can help your child at home:

- Independent **reading** skills are vital to future success and so please do prioritise reading with your child. You should listen to your child read to you, but you can also read to your child too!
- When you are listening to your child read, 'pause, prompt, praise'. Pause to let your child work out words if they get stuck, provide a prompt or 'clue' to help (but not give the answer) and praise your child when they concentrate, and problem solve.
- You can ask a range of questions about your child's reading. The 'five Ws' – who, what, where, when and why – can provide useful questions. You can ask these questions whether you or your child has read. You might ask your child to summarise what has happened in the book or story so far, and to predict what will happen next.
- You may also wish to talk about the links between the book and real life to make the story more interesting and help children develop their understanding of ideas in the book. For example, while reading Cinderella going to a ball, or might discuss the similarities between a ball and a birthday party.
- Your child should be able to complete their **homework** tasks independently. If your child struggles, please do let me know so that I can support them in class.
- You can help your child with their homework, by encouraging them to establish a regular routine and giving them lots of praise for completing their tasks.
- At school, we are focusing on '**ready, respectful, safe**' behaviours at school and finding lots of opportunities to praise and reward your child when they show behaviours that go 'above and beyond' our high expectations. We recognise that it is beneficial for you to know this so that talk about this with your child when reflecting on their school day.

Term Dates:

Autumn 1 Thursday 4th September – Thursday 23rd October

Autumn 2 Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December

Spring 1 Tuesday 6th January – Friday 13th February

Spring 2 Monday 23rd February – Thursday 2nd April

Summer 1 Tuesday 21st April – Friday 22nd May

Summer 2 Monday 1st June – Wednesday 22nd July

If you have any questions or issues concerning your child, please do not hesitate to speak to me either on the playground or by making an appointment via the school office.

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