



Year 6 Newsletter

Summer 2—2025/2026



Notices and Reminders

We are looking forward to our swimming lessons starting this half term! These will take place every **Wednesday** – our last lesson will be Wednesday 8th July. Please make sure your child brings in a named bag the following kit every Wednesday:

- Swimming cap.
- Swimming trunks or above-knee shorts (boys) or one piece swimming costume (girls).
- Towel.
- Extra snack.

Reading

This half term, the children will be studying 'The Final Year', a powerful poetry anthology written by Matt Goodfellow, exploring themes of change, identity and growing up. The children will deepen their understanding of language and imagery, analysing how poets create vivid pictures and emotions through words.



Writing

In writing lessons this half term, the children will continue to write for a range of different audiences and purposes, while developing independence and refining their understanding of year 6 grammar and punctuation. Instead of a formal assessment, teachers will use the children's writing to make a final teacher assessment.



Key Dates

Monday 1st to Friday 5th June – level 2 Bikeability (Y6)
Monday 1st to Friday 5th June – Y4 multiplication tables check week
Wednesday 3rd June – Y4 swimming lessons start (AM)
Wednesday 3rd June – Y6 swimming lessons start (PM)
Friday 5th June – Y3 SOLD day
Monday 8th to Friday 12th June – Y1 phonics screening check week
Tuesday 9th June – Y2 trip to Milestones Museum
Friday 19th June – summer term family forum meeting (9am)
Monday 22nd June – class photographs
Wednesday 24th June – EYFS sports day
Thursday 2nd July – FFMPs summer festival (5:30pm)
Friday 3rd July – KS1 and KS2 sports day (11:30am)
Wednesday 8th July – last Y4 swimming lesson
Wednesday 8th July – last Y6 swimming lesson
Friday 10th July – Y6 Mytchett Quays trip
Friday 10th July – end of year reports shared
Monday 13th July – move up morning
Wednesday 15th July – SEND coffee afternoon (2:30pm)
Wednesday 15th July – Y6 end of year performance (5:30pm)
Thursday 16th July – Rocksteady concert (2:45pm)
Friday 17th July – strawberry tea (1:30pm)
Friday 17th July – summer term SMILE afternoon (3:00pm)
Monday 20th July – Y6 leavers' assembly (2:00pm)
Tuesday 21st July – Y6 shirt signing
Tuesday 21st July – last day of term (1:30pm collection)

Maths

This half term, the children will revisit key learning to build confidence and independence. Through fun and imaginative projects and investigations, they will apply a range of mathematical concepts from across the year, recognising real-world applications. With SATs now complete, this is a fantastic opportunity to explore and enjoy maths in a more creative way.



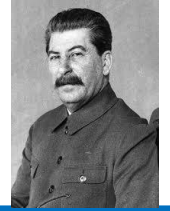
Science

This half term, the children will be learning about electricity. They will be investigating how the voltage of cells affects the brightness of a bulb and what can cause the brightness of a bulb to vary. They will continue to improve their investigative skills, conducting several experiments throughout the unit.



History

In history, the children will continue learning about the Russian Revolution, focusing on the power struggle between Trotsky and Stalin. They will explore Stalin's totalitarian rule, including the Great Purge, the Gulag labour camps, and his Five-Year Plan to boost industrialisation and production across the Soviet Union.



Music

In music this half term, the focus will be on playing together using dynamics (louds and softs) and expression. The children will learn to read a notated instrumental part, sing as part of a group and learn to play the glockenspiel. The children will learn that by changing the dynamics, music can be made more interesting.



PE

This term, the children will be learning to play cricket. Each week they will focus on different skills and techniques for fielders, bowlers, batters and wicket-keepers. They will also be introduced to and implement and evaluate a range of team tactics.



Art

This half term, the children will be learning how to design and make paper mâché masks. They will begin by learning about the types of masks used around the world and comment on the similarities and differences, which media was used and what the purpose could be. When designing and making, the children will take inspiration from their reading book, Animal Farm



PSHE

In PSHE, the children will be learning about responsibility - responsibilities they and others have. As they prepare to move onto secondary school, they will spend time talking about what changes will come for them and how they can prepare and navigate their way through them.



RE

This half term, the children will learn how Christians, Jews, Sikhs and Muslims view creation. They will then study how some people believe in scientific theories about the creation of the world and reflect on their own personal beliefs about this topic.



French

This half-term, the children will be looking at the phonics of French to help practise correct and precise pronunciation.

Suggested books for reading

Rumaysa: Ever After by Radiya Hafiza

Moving Up by Christian Foley