




YEAR 6 TERMLY NEWSLETTER: SPRING TERM 2026

HAPPY NEW YEAR YEAR 6!

It's great to see that all the children have settled back into their class routines and are enjoying new challenges in their learning. 2026 is full of exciting themes, experience days and a residential! We would like to share with you some information about what your child will be learning over the Spring Term, as well as offering you opportunities to support your child's understanding of subjects studied.

HIGH EXPECTATIONS	<p>Every week we have a celebration assembly where achievements are shared and certificates are awarded.</p> <p>In the classroom and about the school, House Points are awarded for positive behaviours, as well as for attitude to learning.</p> <p>We also use a whole class reward system 'Bugs in a Jar', where the children can work together to earn a class treat.</p>	UNIFORM	<p>Uniform is the same for Years 4-6. All pupils must wear correct uniform, including acceptable footwear, this includes grey <u>not</u> black trousers. Also, leggings are not allowed in school. A tie must be worn by pupils in Y4-Y6. A letter will be sent home with pupils who have missing or incorrect uniform.</p> <p>Please refer to the Uniform Policy on our website for further information, including PE kit.</p> 	START OF DAY ACTIVITY (SODA)	 <p>For the first 15 minutes of every day there will be a focused Maths problems of the Day planned by the teacher. If your child arrives late they will miss this vital part of the school day. Therefore, it is important that your child arrives on time every day. Please note: classroom doors open at 8:45am, when learning begins, and the school gates lock at 9:00am.</p>
	<p>We expect a high standard of behaviour from all children which is monitored by all staff in the academy. The Behaviour Policy (which can be found on our website) explains the academy rules, rewards and sanctions in detail.</p>	PURPLE POUNDS	<p>Y6 will continue with their job roles this term, with opportunities to take part in special events.</p> <p>Evententerprise will be organising several events to raise money for the Academy.</p> <p>ECO warriors will continue working hard to make our academy environmentally friendly.</p>	Y6 SATS REVISION CLUB	<p>SATs revision club will begin after February Half-Term. Parents will be invited to a meeting on Tuesday 10th February at 2:50pm to discuss this as well as the upcoming KS2 SATs tests in May and the revision program of study.</p> 

Over the Spring term, the children will learn about two topics:

- Right to Fight - a history topic focusing on what life in Britain was like during World War II. The Children will be taking part in a WWII experience day to support their learning.



- The Art of Animation – a practical guide to the variety of animation types used throughout time. The children will explore 2D animation and stop-motion animation, then combine these techniques to create their own short films.



Please see the Parent Overviews for more information about these topics.

PE is part of our academy curriculum, and we expect all children to wear a full PE kit to school so that they can take part in their indoor and outdoor PE sessions, as well as the exciting extra-curricular cricket sessions this half-term. On **Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays**, children need to come to school wearing their PE kit. Thursday cricket will finish on 13th February. From 23rd February, PE will be **Wednesdays and Fridays only**.

All jewellery must be removed.

Earrings need to be removed on the day of PE or the child must be able to remove these themselves before the lesson. Teachers and Teaching Assistants are not allowed to help children remove their earrings. If your child has recently had their ears pierced, they will have to bring micropore tape to cover their earrings until they can take them out.



If you have any problem or concern – who do you ask?

- Class Teachers – Mrs Catlow, Mrs Bentley or Mr Gobey
- Deputy Principals – Mrs Bentley & Mrs Catlow
- Principal – Mrs Latham

This half-term the **Queensmead Quests** homework challenges will link to our World War II topic 'Right to Fight'.

Revision Packs (including Reading, Grammar & Mathematics) will be given out after February half term. We would be grateful if you could support and encourage your child to complete them. If your child experiences any difficulties with the homework, we encourage them to come and see their class teacher for more support.

In addition, we expect children to be **reading for at least 10 minutes daily**. It would be really beneficial if you could listen to your child read and discuss their book regularly to support their understanding.

These will be practised in the classroom daily but should your child wish to continue at home, please support them to do this.



Thank you on behalf of the Year 6 team.