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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Year 6 Summer Newsletter

We can't quite believe that we are now in the final term of primary school for your children. It's an action-packed term and this newsletter aims to give you an overview of the events ahead. Transition and preparing the children for the next stage of their education will be a big part of the work we do in school. This will include us liaising with your child's secondary school and your child completing their transition days during the summer term.

Despite SAT's being imminent, there is plenty of the primary curriculum still to be taught and enjoyed beyond SATS week. The topics being covered are:

Summer 1	Summer 2
Science – Animals, including humans	Living things and their habitats
History – World War 2	
Computing – Quizzing	Computing – Word/creating media
Art - Perspective	DT – Shelters
PSHE – Being your Best Self	PSHE – Growing and Changing. We shall be covering the concepts of Growing and Changing, progressing from the content the children were taught last year. A more detailed outline of this will be sent to parents as a separate letter shortly.
RE – Islam	RE - Humanism
PE – Rounders	PE - Athletics

Homework

We have now completed most of the SATs buster books. Once a book is completed, please encourage your child to use it as a revision tool for any concepts they are unsure of. There will be paper homework set for the next two weeks. Homework will continue after SATs and it is important for your child to get themselves into a regular routine as part of the transition process. After half term, we will be setting homework online using Purple Mash as this will help with the transition to secondary school. We will aim to set activities linked to current learning in school and children will find the set activities in their 2do section. Work will be marked online and merits and gems given using the feedback tool. On the rare occasion that Purple Mash will not let you hand a piece of work in after it has been completed, just get your child to let us know – they will not have to complete it again. If your child does not have access to a device to complete their homework, then a time can be arranged for them to complete the tasks in school.

You can refer to these websites for terminology, strategies and explanations.

- BBC Bitesize
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn>
- Oxford Owls
<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/at-school/education-glossary/grammar-literacy-glossary-a-c/>

Reading

We are continuing to broaden your child’s range of genre that they read through reading sessions. Please get them to read at least four times a week and record it themselves. This could be: a summary; interesting vocabulary; predictions or answers to the questions from the middle of their journal.

SATs week – Monday 11th May – Thursday 14th May 2026

The children are very well prepared, please make sure the children are well rested. We understand that it is an anxious time for the children, we will do our best to support them. The week will follow a very similar timetable to the week of the Mock SATs. If your child is unwell this week, please contact the office at the earliest convenience. We will be running a short SATs information session after school on Wednesday 29th April at 3:15-3:30. A timetable for the tests can be found below:

	Monday 11 th May 2026	Tuesday 12 th May 2026	Wednesday 13 th May 2026	Thursday 14 th May 2026	Friday 15 th May 2026	
8:40	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	
9:00	Snack	Snack	Snack	Snack	NO SCHEDULED TESTS	
9:15	Punctuation and Grammar Test	Reading Test	Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic	Maths Paper 3 Reasoning		
10:50	BREAK 10:50 – 11:05	BREAK 10:50 – 11:05	BREAK 10:50 – 11:05	BREAK 10:50 – 11:05		
11:05	Snack		Snack			
11:15	Spelling Test		Maths Paper 2 Reasoning			
12:15	LUNCH 12:15 – 13:15	LUNCH 12:15 – 13:15	LUNCH 12:20 – 13:20	LUNCH 12:15 – 13:15		LUNCH 12:15 – 13:15



Key Dates

Wednesday 29 th April 3:15-3:30	SATs information session
Friday 5 th June	Trip to Winchester Military Museums
Thursday 7 th May	Newbury Weekly News photo
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 6 to St Mary's church – leavers' activities
Wednesday 15 th July	Citizens day

Other key dates for your diary will be sent out before half term.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hayward