



Year 6 Spring Term Newsletter 2026

*I hope everybody had a relaxing time over Christmas. I would like to thank you all for your thoughtful cards and gifts. This half term, our value is **Wisdom** and after half term our value will be **Hope**.*

English

This term we are exploring the text 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo and illustrated by Michael Foreman. The children will get an opportunity to discuss legends and the importance of heroic poetry in early European literature. They will then go on to create a number of varied written outcomes using the text as a starting point including recounts, formal letters, dialogue, descriptions, obituaries and writing their own epic, heroic narrative using various poetic devices.

We will also be basing our writing this term on the books 'The Hidden Forest' by Jeannie Baker and 'The Unforgotten Coat' by Frank Cottrell Boyce.

Every day we will start our English lesson by learning specific areas of grammar and we will apply these to our writing.

Please continue to read regularly at home with your child as this is vitally important for the development of their reading and writing skills.

Maths

In Maths, we are concentrating on the order of operations, Ratio and Proportion, Algebra and Decimals. After half term, we will explore common and more complex equivalents between fractions and decimals, developing understanding of how to calculate percentages of amounts, and deepening their knowledge of the mathematical connections between the three concepts. We will also be looking at area, perimeter and volume along with statistics.

It is very important that children feel confident in their knowledge of numbers and their properties. To help them improve further they should practise their times tables at home as much as possible. It is important that the children learn them 'off by heart' so that they can perform rapid recall of any question.

History

After half term, our main topic is 'Battle of Britain'. We will look at this significant turning point in British history and study the causes and consequences of different events leading up to the Battle of Britain, including the immediate and long-term consequences.

Geography

Our main topic in Geography is entitled 'How on Earth? Our world from the International Space Station'. We will be looking at satellite images of the globe and raise enquiry questions about how it has been developed or formed.

R.E.

This term, the children will be learning about some of the ways Muslims show commitment to God and to evaluate whether there is a best way. We will be looking at the importance of the five pillars to most Muslims, the beliefs behind the practices and understand how Muslims show commitment each day, highlighting the importance of Allah to Muslims.

After half term, we will also be studying the Easter Story in more detail and looking particularly at the individuals involved in the events leading up to the Crucifixion.

Expressive Arts

In Art this term we will be looking at the artist Banksy and their use of the stenciling technique to create their designs. We will also be introducing and developing sculpting techniques after half-term.

In French this term, we will be talking about different areas and types of places to live.

In music, we will be focused our learnings around one song from Benjamin Britten's Friday Afternoons: A New Year Carol .

P.E.

In PE this term, we are focusing on Hockey and dodgeball. PE lessons will involve both physical and mental challenge. They will also involve social interaction with others and develop life skills such as resilience, cooperation and team-work.

Please ensure children bring the correct P.E. kit to school each week: navy blue shorts/ tracksuit bottoms and yellow t-shirts. Please make sure all items of your child's P.E. kit are named.

Wellbeing

At Nutfield Church Primary School we are encouraging our children to listen and respond with thoughtfulness and respect. This year we will continue to learn about the importance of self-respect and how this links to the children's own happiness. In P.S.H.E. we will explore the meaning of extremism and its consequences.

Homework

*Homework will be sent home on Friday and must be handed back in by **the following Thursday** to be checked. Spellings will be sent home on Friday and tested the following Thursday. Please help your child to learn their spellings. It is important that the children take pride in their homework.*

And finally...

Thank you very much for your support. We all know Year 6 is very a special year for our children. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to catch me at the end of the day. I am very happy to answer your queries and it is always good to see you! If you would like to speak with me more privately, please see me or email the school office to arrange an appointment.

Miss Best and Miss Baber – The Year 6 Team

Science, Computing and Design and technology

Our science topic for this term is 'Animals including Humans'. Children will identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood; they will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function; and describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported within animals, including humans.

In D.T the children will develop their culinary skills by creating a dessert that was used during the rationing of WW11, linking to our History topic for the term and a fruit salad using a range of seasonal ingredients.

In Computing, the children will learn how to use technology to represent data alongside how to use it safely, respectfully and responsibly; recognise acceptable/ unacceptable behaviour; identify a range of ways to report concerns about content and contact.

Dates for your diary

Year 6 collective worship — Wednesday 4th February 9:05am.

KS2 SATs meeting — Tuesday 24th February 3:30pm—4:15pm in the Year 6 Classroom.

PTFA KS2 School Disco — Friday 28th February 5:15pm —6:15pm

St. David's Day – yellow shirt Monday 2nd March

Book Week – W/C 2nd March

St. Patrick's Day – green shirt Tuesday 17th March

Parent and Carer Evenings — W/C 16th March (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) from 3.30pm - 6.00pm in the hall.

SSA Parent and Carer Evenings - W/C Monday 23rd March

Easter Service Christ Church—Friday 27th March (TBC)

PTFA Easter Egg Hunt — Friday 27th March from 3.15pm-4.00pm

Spring Half term — Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February

Easter Break – Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April