

Dear families,

Welcome back to our final half term of Year 6! Summer 2 is always a busy and exciting time as we celebrate all the fantastic achievements of the children and prepare for their transition to secondary school. This half term, pupils will continue to work hard across the curriculum while also enjoying a range of memorable activities, including production rehearsals, transition work and end-of-year events.

HOW TO COOK CHILDREN
a grisly recipe book



In English this half term, Year 6 will be studying the wonderfully gruesome book *How to Cook Children*. This imaginative text explores a collection of unusual 'recipes' created by witches from around the world, all written with humour and creativity.

Inspired by the book, the children will develop their descriptive and persuasive writing skills by creating their own grisly recipe entries for a brand-new recipe book compiled by the mysterious Esmelia Sniff!

While in Maths lessons will consolidate key skills and problem-solving strategies. Our wider curriculum topics will encourage curiosity, teamwork and independence as the children finish their primary school journey with confidence. We are incredibly proud of all the children have achieved this year and look forward to an exciting and successful final half term together!



Summer 2 is always a memorable and exciting half term for Year 6, with many special events to celebrate the children's final weeks at primary school. Pupils will take part in their residential trip, enjoying opportunities to build confidence, teamwork and independence while creating lasting memories with friends. We also look forward to our end-of-year performance, where the children will showcase their talents and hard work, as well as the Year 6 graduation and graduation party, which will be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all of their achievements and wish them well as they prepare for the next stage of their journey.

Upcoming events:

- ➔ Graduation ceremony
- ➔ Graduation party
- ➔ Residential trip
- ➔ End of year performance

Dates to be confirmed

In Science this half term, Year 6 will be learning about Evolution and Inheritance. The children will explore how living things have changed over time, discover how characteristics are passed from parents to offspring and investigate how animals and plants adapt to their environments in order to survive. Through exciting discussions and investigations, pupils will deepen their understanding of the natural world and the work of significant scientists such as Charles Darwin.

In Art this half term, Year 6 will focus on painting techniques. The children will build on skills developed in previous lessons to create artwork that gives the illusion of depth and movement. They will also explore how to represent the translucent qualities of water through careful colour mixing, shading and brushwork, producing imaginative and atmospheric final pieces.

In Geography this half term, Year 6 will develop their orienteering and fieldwork skills. Pupils will use maps, atlases, globes and digital mapping tools to locate countries and identify key physical and human features. They will also build their understanding of the United Kingdom and the wider world by using the eight points of a compass and interpreting Ordnance Survey maps with increasing confidence.

Homework

- ➔ **Read** at least 20 minutes per day.
- ➔ **Reading** enhances vocabulary and increases one with knowledge to succeed. Ensure your child is reading (or being read to) every day for the minimum of 20 minutes, this will support them for their learning at school.
- ➔ **Write** out any weekly spelling words that are given out.
- ➔ **Revise** your times tables and the division facts using TT Rockstars.
- ➔ **Homework** menus will be given out this week for optional home learning.

