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Dear Children, Parents/Carers,

### Year 6 Newsletter for Summer Term 1

Welcome back after the Easter break! We hope you've all had a restful holiday and are feeling ready for another exciting term ahead. Last half term has certainly been a very busy and memorable one in Year 6, with lots of fantastic experiences along the way. The children thoroughly enjoyed celebrating World Book Day, taking part in a live author webinar with Matt Goodfellow, getting creative while making their rod puppets, and working together to raise money for Comic Relief. We are incredibly proud of how enthusiastically they embraced each of these opportunities. In this letter, we will share what's coming up in the next half term.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

Sci tech heats in school - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April  
World Earth Day – Weds 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
Sci tech grand final – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April  
SATs week – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May (more information below)  
Maya day – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May (more information below)

#### *Future dates:*

Year 6 Production – Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July  
Year 6 residential 13<sup>th</sup> July – 16<sup>th</sup> July  
Leaver's assembly – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July

#### **SATs week**

The children have worked incredibly hard throughout this year, and we are fast approaching SATs week. Below is a timetable of which assessments fall on which days. (For more information about the assessments and how best to support your child during this time, there are a series of three videos on our website: [SATs Guidance Videos - Abbey Road School - West Bridgford.](#))

<b>Date</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Monday 11 May 2026	English grammar, punctuation and spelling Papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 12 May 2026	English reading
Wednesday 13 May 2026	Mathematics Papers 1 and 2
Thursday 14 May 2026	Mathematics Paper 3

Each day, the children are welcome to come into the classroom from 8:30am, where there will be an opportunity to chat with friends and have a slightly more relaxed start to the day. We will be taking the register at the usual time of 8:50am. Once we have completed the papers each day, we will be doing lots of fun activities, involving creativity and time to relax with friends. We are incredibly proud of the effort and determination the children have shown so far, and we are excited to see them continue to do their very best.



### **Maya day**

To celebrate the end of SATs week, we have an exciting opportunity to further our history learning with an Ancient Maya-themed day. This will include looking at artefacts, exploring (and tasting!) the Maya's favourite hot chocolate drink, and playing our own version of the ancient game of Pok-a-tok. To cover the costs of the day, we kindly ask for a contribution of £10.44. Payment will open for this on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April via Arbor. School is able to support parents in meeting the cost of an experience if your child is in receipt of pupil premium funding (e.g. receiving free school meals); please contact the school office if you would like support with this payment. Follow the link <http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education> to see if you are eligible.

### **Summer 1 Curriculum**

**Maths:** We will be revising the four operations as well as delving deeper into fractions, decimals and percentages as part of our revision sessions before SATs week. In our groups, we will be focusing on reasoning tasks and how best to approach them – unpicking what the question is asking us to calculate.

**English:** Our English work will all be based around writing to persuade and entertain. Within our writing lessons, children will have the opportunity to write a motivational speech, adopting the voice of Ernest Shackleton, and write a story based on our learning of the Ancient Maya. We will also be taking time to revise our spelling and grammar curriculum before SATs.

**Science:** Units will be based around a question which aims to inspire the children. In science this half-term, we will be learning about electricity and energy whilst answering the question, 'How do circuits work?'

**PE-** Athletics with Mrs Turner (Monday) and a further PE session with Mr McWilliams doing tennis (Thursday afternoons). We ask that children come to school in their PE kit on these days.

**RE-** The children will be exploring Muslim beliefs and answering the questions 'What do Muslims believe?' as well as completing the unit 'Beautiful World, Wonderful God' which allows the children to think philosophically about big questions.

**Computing-** This term the children will be completing our iApp unit of learning. Within this, children will use software to create specific apps.

**DT:** We will be completing a food design project involving tasting ingredients and designing and making dips and salsas.

**PSHE:** We will be looking at our 'Relationships' unit. We will be talking about our mental health, love and loss and using technology responsibly.

**Music:** In this unit, pupils will learn the song '*Ame sau valatara bal*' and listen to and learn about Indian musical instruments.

**History:** Our new history topic is all about the Ancient Maya civilisation. We will be learning about what they believed and inventions they created.

**Homework-** The children will be expected to read regularly throughout the week, discussing the content and expressing opinions on what they have read. We also expect the children to access EdShed at least 4 times a week to practice their weekly spellings. Spelling tests will be on Thursdays. Children should also practice their times tables using Times Tables Rockstars for 15 minutes across the whole week.

If you have any questions about this term, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you.

Year 6 Team