



Year 5 and 6 Newsletter

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter. We hope you've all had a nice Easter break.

We are all very excited about the term ahead and it is looking like it will be very busy, with lots going on!



Shortly into term, we have the Year 5 Enrichment Week followed by SATs week. On the Friday of SATs week, Year 6s will have their 'Fun Farm Friday' (letter to follow) where they will spend the day playing 'wide-games' and den building....?

The topics covered this term are 'Our Green Planet', where children will be researching renewable energy sources and how these, and fossil fuels, affect our planet. We hope to be going on a trip to the Oceanography Centre as part of this unit. We will also conduct a local study of the 'The Mary Rose', where we will be taking a closer look at the Tudors, King Henry VIII and his famous ship that held so many archaeological treasures from that time.

In English, our writes will be inspired by the cyclist 'Danny MacAskill' and then the Year 5s will read and study 'Kensuke's Kingdom.'

In Science, we will spend the term exploring 'Forces' and then 'Earth and Space.' Some of this is likely to be practical and, at times, messy.

And last, but by no means least, we have the Yr5/6 Summer Production. Although the title is a closely guarded secret for now, it will be a fantastic collaborative experience which the children are sure to love and learn from.



Helping your child at home

The summer reading diaries will be going out soon. We encourage children to continue to read a range of texts over the summer term and throughout the summer holidays as this will have a huge impact on both their reading and writing in school (both at Junior and Secondary level). Listening to your child read and also reading to them, is really important as this will help to build their understanding. You can also share what you like/dislike about the book and have discussions about the various characters.

As always, any child not confident with their tables up to 12x12 should continue to strive to be a 'Times Table Rock Star' by using the app.

In order to help with the smooth running of the Summer Production, we ask that children take the responsibility to learn their lines and song words over the half term and onwards, so they have the confidence to get fully involved in rehearsals and embrace their role.

(Please turn over for information on key dates)

Dates for the diary-Year 5 and 6

Year 5 Enrichment Week – wc 8th May

Year 6 SATs Week- 14th -17th May (please ensure your children attend school this week)

Year 6 Fun Farm Friday Trip – Friday 18th May

INSET day- Friday 25th May

Year 5 and 6 SRE Parents Meeting- Thursday 14th June 6pm

Whole School Sports Day- Thursday 21st June

Transition Day- Thursday 5th July (6th also a Swanmore transition day)

Year 5 and 6 Production- Matinee Tuesday 10th July

11th & 12th Evening performances (please keep these evenings free so your child can perform)

Leavers Party- Thursday 19th July

Year 6 Leavers Service- Friday 20th July 10.30am start

(School finishes at 2.30pm)

Thanks again for all of your support,

The Year 5/6 Team



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