

# Year 6 Newsletter 01.05.26

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you are well and have all had a good week. This term's curriculum map (with more information about topics covered) can be found on our website on the 'curriculum' tab, then 'curriculum overview'.

## **This Week**

This week, year 6 have been continuing working hard in preparation for the upcoming SATS but have also enjoyed exploring other areas of the curriculum. The children have been finding out about evolution in science lessons and enjoyed taking part in the school Mini Marathon in our P.E. lesson. They have also been completing their graffiti art tag design in art.

## **Next Week**

Next week, we are continuing with our revision work in English and maths. In geography we will be finding out where our food comes from and finding out about Charles Darwin in science.

## **Parent Help - Ruislip Lido**

On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May, to celebrate the end of SATs week, we will be taking the children to Ruislip Lido. We will need some parent helpers for this trip so please can you let your child's class teacher know if you are free to help on this day from 11am. The children will need to bring a packed lunch on this day.

## **Geography:**

Please could we ask children to bring in any clean empty food packaging (particularly fruit and vegetables) that indicate on the label what country they are from for our work in geography next week? Many thanks.

## **SATs week**

Can we ask that the children have nice early bed times on the lead up to the SATs; we're noticing many yawners lately (and we would like to think it's not our teaching). Thank you for your support- we really do appreciate it.

## **Homework**

Homework will continue with Grammar, punctuation and maths up until the SATS. As we get closer, we would also like to encourage children to spend some time thinking about any areas they feel less confident in and using their books as a revision tool to support them in these areas.

## **Reading**

Please ensure your child's Reading Record is signed by an adult each week. Children should be reading every evening for at least 15 minutes and, where possible, to an adult. The children should record at least 5 entries per week, which should include the **page numbers they have read each time** and the title of the book they are reading. Please ensure that your child is recording the page numbers they have read so that we can see how much they are reading at home. All books can be changed during the class Library Session.

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## Upcoming Dates:

<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Cross Country Competition
Week beg 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 KS2 SATs Week
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent/carer workshop – Behaviour Policy
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Maths Morning
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	School class/group photographs

**HALF TERM WEEK MONDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY – FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

Reminders/deadlines/ key dates for next week				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Poplar – Library Poplar - PE Pine - PE Juniper – PE		Pine – Library

## Book Recommendation



This book has made it into the Carnegie medal shortlist for 2026 and is a beautifully written story that celebrates adventure, friendship and nature. When Albie moves with his mum to the tiny Scottish island of Ayrie, he finds it difficult to settle in. He misses the convenience of life in the city and just wants to get back to his friends at home. Tilda has lived on Ayrie all her life and cannot understand why anyone would want to be somewhere else. When Tilda is asked to befriend Albie, she can't wait to show him around the island but he refuses to be impressed and, in an effort to encourage him to love the island, she remembers stories of the old island just an hour's boat ride away from the shore.

The old island is a death trap. The journey there is treacherous. Trips across to it are strictly forbidden. And there's a rumour it's haunted by the ghosts of those left there to die. But with all else having failed, the old island is the only way for Tilda to make Albie see what she sees in Ayrie.

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Have a lovely weekend,

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