



## Spring Term 2 Y6 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Mr Edwards would like to give everyone a warm welcome back after the Spring half term break. Our class topic this half term is Geography – Protecting Our Environment. During this unit of study, the children will consider if we are damaging our world and how we can protect it. The children will investigate energy production, the oceans and minerals, as well as conducting an enquiry into how the school can become more sustainable.

This term in English, we will be studying the classic poem “The Lady of Shalott.” Originally published in 1832, Tennyson’s romantic narrative is one of the best-known and most beloved poems in the English language. To support your child please encouraged them to do some independent reading/research around the legend of King Arthur as this knowledge would be beneficial when creating their own settings and characters in this fictional world.

This term the maths curriculum will cover ratio, algebra and we will be revisiting and building on the children’s knowledge of geometry, shape, and statistics as well as solving real life problems in a number of contexts. In addition to this will be boosting children in all areas of mathematics as we Y6 SATs assessments and prepare the children for Secondary School in September. We encourage children to continue to embed their timetables knowledge using Times Table Rockstars as much as possible because a secure knowledge of these facts will help across the Year 6 maths curriculum.

PE will be Wednesdays and Fridays. Please make sure your child has outdoor trainers and warm clothes because we will be outside as much as possible weather permitting.

We would really like the children to read every day (either independently or to an adult) for at least 30 minutes. We will be monitoring reading diaries and rewarding the children who do read frequently and regularly. We would like reading books and reading diaries to be in school every day so that adults in school can also hear them read.

### SATS

As a school we support our children through the SATs. We want them to do the best that they can and we encourage them to do this in every way. **Every Y6 child has been signed up for additional online tutoring after-school club every Tuesday and Thursday (3.30pm-4.00pm).** These sessions will run every week until week until the children take the Y6 national tests (SATs) in May 2023.

#### **SATS Dates – Please ensure your child is in school on the following days for these statutory assessments:**

<b>Tuesday 9 May 2023</b>	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
<b>Wednesday 10 May 2023</b>	English reading
<b>Thursday 11 May 2022</b>	Mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
<b>Friday 12 May 2022</b>	Mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

Y6 are working very hard in preparation for these important assessments and we are continually assessing the children in the run up to SATs. We will be offering more 1 to 1 tuition during a breakfast club (before the school day) in the coming weeks as we build up to SATs. If we feel your child would benefit from this extra provision I will call you directly to discuss your child’s availability for these sessions.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Edwards Y6 Teacher