A beach with palm trees and blue water

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UKS2 Summer 1 News!

**Summer 1!**

Daffodils, cherry-blossom trees and the early smell of freshly cut grass: all tell-tale signs that summer is just around the corner. The spring term certainly did not disappoint as the children’s learning outcomes were incredible – long may it continue.

The first half of the upcoming summer term sees the return of some curriculum subject favourites. In writing, the children will be publishing a variety of writes: travel guides, fantasy stories and video recounts will be the highlights. In topic, we will be learning all about activism. We will explore historical activism events and determine how they have shaped society in present day. The children will also get an opportunity to think about their own futures and any causes they feel passionately about to actively fight for.

Thank you very much to all parents and carers for ensuring your child/ren is/are coming to school each day – it has been noticeable how much progress these amazing young people are making, yet now more than ever (particularly with SATs looming for our Y6’s).

Important dates

**18th April – Class photos**

**23 and 24th April – Parent’s consults!**

**29th March – Summer clubs begin.**

**6th May – May Day!**

**13th – 16th May – Y6 SATs**

**20th May – Poetry Slam Launch!**

**20th – 24th May – Y6 cycling.**

**24th May – Break up for half term.**



**P.E**

The children will learn how to play Danish longball. They will begin by learning the rules, practising the relevant skills and implementing them in a game situation.

**P.E KIT –** please ensure your child is wearing suitable clothing for indoor and outdoor P.E sessions (black shorts/trousers, a plain black/blue top and suitable footwear)

P.E days

Y5 – Tuesday and Wednesday (5OM have swimming on Tuesdays for Spring 1 and 2)

Y6 – Tuesdays and Thursdays

Swimming

5OM will begin their swimming in Summer 1 – their first lesson will commence on **23rd April 2024.**

Please send your child in their swimming kit underneath their uniform and a bag with a towel and spare underwear in.

**DT**

This half term, Y5 and 6 will put their cooking skills to the test to create their very own pasta sauce. They will unpick a design brief to create a sauce that suits a specific targetaudience**.**

A jar of sauce on a table

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**Reading**

In Reading, our class novel introduces the book, ‘The Tulip Touch’, a short novel that will deliver in supporting children with their inference skills and developing empathy towards characters.

This term, we will also increase our guided reading sessions, focusing more around the VIPERS: retrieval, inference and explanation

**Early Bird**

Arrive in school as soon as you so can so we can do our early morning activities together. Doors open at 8:30. Breakfast club continues to be available from 7.30am.

**Reading books**

Each morning, your child has a chance to show off the reading they’ve been doing at home to their teachers. Remember to bring in your reading diary and earn those dojos!

**PSHE**

In PSHE, the children will be thinking about their personal development: what goals they want to set in the last term and thinking about how these can be achieved.