

# Year 6 Newsletter

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**Welcome to Term 5 - Preparing for our future by learning from the past**

## Mathematics

In Mathematics, will be kicking off with exploring measurement, drawing upon our ability to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000 to convert between different units of measure and exploring finding the area and perimeter of shapes. We will also be developing our understanding of algebra, statistics including finding the means of groups of data and delving into properties of shape. Daily arithmetic practice will also be forming part of our SATs revision.

## Topic

Our topic this term is 'Battles that have Shaped Our World.'

We will use historical artefacts to begin our exploration of how this time period has impacted our local communities and global interactions. We will explore how wars can generate technological and medical advancements while developing empathy for those living in war-torn places. We will develop an understanding of the Allies and Axis of Great Britain and the roles they played within World War II as well as increasing our understanding of key figures from this challenging time.

## Preparation for secondary

With two terms left of their primary career, we are beginning to shift our focus towards preparing the children for their secondary transition beyond their academic learning. After careful consideration, and having liaised with local secondary schools, we have come up with a plan to prepare the children. Children will be experiencing a Middle School approach to learning following the Key Stage Two SATs and will then have their home classroom as their form group and a variety of teachers and class settings for Reading, Writing, Maths, Topic and PE which will be mixed between the classes so that the children have the opportunity to work with a greater variety of peers, allowing them to develop their independence and organisation and adapt to being taught by different teachers. Should you wish to learn more about this, please contact your class teacher who will be happy to speak to you about this exciting development!

## Our Form Read

Our form readers (previously our class reader) will be chosen as a form group once we have explored the cover and blurbs of a selection of books. We will use a democratic form vote to decide the winning text.

We look forward to immersing ourselves in these texts, discovering new literacy worlds, expanding our vocabulary and developing our reading skills as well as building a love of literature. Please ask your children about their chosen form book.

## Science

In Science, we will be exploring animals and their habitats. We will be learning how to classify living things into groups based on observable characteristics, including animals, humans and microorganisms. Investigations into how nutrients and water are transported within animals will help us further understand biology and the systems that keep living things alive and healthy.

## End of KS2 SATS

This term, the children in Year 6 will sit their end of KS2 SATS for GPS (2 papers), Reading (1 paper) and Maths (3 papers). These statutory assessments will be sat by Year 6s across the country and will cover subject content throughout the KS2 curriculum. See the timetable for these assessments below:

Tuesday 9 May 2023	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Wednesday 10 May 2023	English reading
Thursday 11 May 2023	Mathematics papers 1 and 2
Friday 12 May 2023	Mathematics paper 3

Should you wish to discuss how you can support your child in preparation for SATS or if you have any questions about these assessments, please contact your class teacher and they will be happy to answer any questions that you may have.