

Year 6

Curriculum Information - Term 1 2026

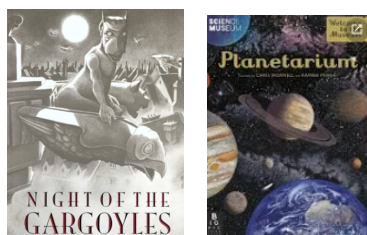


Dear Parents/Carers,

As you already know, Year 6 is a very important year for your child. They are now at the top end of the school and they need to work very hard and take responsibility for their own learning if they are to do their best.

What children will be learning:

English



This term, our Year 6 authors will begin in literacy by exploring Eve Bunting's atmospheric text, *Night of the Gargoyles*. Pupils will use this inspiration to write and publish their very own collective class book titled *Things That Go Bump in the Night!*

Next, we journey into the cosmos with *Planetarium*, an award-winning, museum-style non-fiction book by astrophysicist Raman Prinja and illustrator Chris Wormell. This stunning book will spark their curiosity about stars, black holes, and distant galaxies before pupils apply their learning to design, create and write about their own imaginary planet.

Mathematics

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This term we will start by covering place value, before moving onto problem solving and reasoning. We will also be working on our rounding skills, learning how to round a mixture of whole and decimal

numbers. Later, we will look at formal written methods of multiplication and division, before moving onto Algebra and measurement conversions and Geometry.



Science

This term we are learning about Light. This is an extremely practical and exciting topic which the children really enjoy. It allows them to discover more about how we see and what shadows tell us about light. They have lots of opportunities to work in their new talk groups to carry out mini investigations.



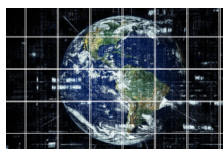
Project

This unit is designed to explore Greek life, the achievements of Ancient Greece and its influence on the western world. They will explore the first civilisations in Ancient Greece: the Minoans and the Mycenaeans—how they lived and what caused their demise. Finally, they will learn about the Golden age of Greece.



Art

This term we are exploring how 2D drawings can be transformed to 3D objects. They will work towards a sculptural outcome or a graphic design outcome. Focused will be on an artist called Lubania Himid.



Computing

This term we will be learning about how to be safe on the internet, which will continue throughout the year. We will start the year by learning about search engines, including how to use them effectively and safely. We will also learn how search engines are influenced and how this may affect the results we receive.



Physical Education

In our games sessions, we will be focussing on netball. Looking at passing, stopping and direction. They will progress to attacking and passing from one team member to another. In PE, they will explore dance carnivals performing with technical control creating rhythmic patterns using their body.



Religious Education

Our focus for learning this term is Diwali - good and evil. The children will explore the story of Rama and Sita to discuss their own interpretations of good and evil. They will learn about how Hindus celebrate good overcoming evil.

Personal Social Health and Citizenship Education

This term we are learning about our emotions and how the way we respond to situations can change the feelings of others.

Homework

All weekly homework for Maths, Grammar and Reading Comprehension is set online via SATs Companion. Each week, new tasks will go live on **Friday by 5:00 PM** and must be completed by the following **Wednesday morning**. Because these activities directly reinforce the concepts taught in class that week, full completion is vital for your child's learning. Please note that any pupil who has not finished their assigned work by Wednesday morning will attend a completion session during their Wednesday lunch break to catch up.

Booster classes

Booster classes are essential to ensure your child makes the necessary progress this year. We will be offering booster classes

later in the year for Year 6 children. It is important that your child attends the booster classes they have been invited to and that they are punctual. Please let us know if there are any issues and we will support you.

PE Kit

Your child needs to wear a PE kit to school on the following days:

Turquoise: Tuesday and Wednesday

Indigo: Monday and Thursday

Ways to help your child

- Get them to school on time: 8.35 am for an 8:45am start.
- Make sure they are in bed at a reasonable hour and have a good night's sleep.
- Encourage them to eat breakfast. It is essential for concentration.
- Your child has homework every night. Try to find time to discuss it. Try and make sure they have time and space to do it well.
- Help them practice their times tables.
- Visit the library.
- Make sure your child is wearing the correct uniform and P.E. kit.
- Use the internet to find out about class projects.
- Visit museums and galleries that relate to class projects.
- Offer encouragement and praise.
- Book a time to come and see us if you are worried about **anything**.

The Year 6 team are:

Indigo: Mrs Nwandison

Turquoise: Ms Mohammed

Mrs Nwandison is the Phase Lead for Year ⁵/₆.

Secondary School applications

The deadline for secondary school applications is 31st October. You should have already received information about the support we can offer at Gateway. Get in touch if you need any further help with secondary applications.

All of the Year 6 team are looking forward to an exciting and hardworking year ahead with your children and we thank you in advance for your support.