

How to Help at Home



SATs Week Timetable—further detail regarding SATs week have been emailed to you separately.

Monday 8 May 2023	King Charles’ Coronation Bank Holiday – School is closed
Tuesday 9 May 2023	Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar – Paper 1 Spelling Punctuation & Grammar – Paper 2
Wednesday 10 May 2023	English Reading
Thursday 11 May 2023	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Friday 12 May 2023	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

Transition Days to respective Secondary Schools.

This term is vital in ensuring our Year 6 children are reading for the next step in their educational journey. It will be a significant focus in our PSHE lessons. We will inform you of all dates for transition day’s to secondary school ASAP.

Dates for the Diary



Date	Event
Friday, 5th May	King’s Coronation Celebration
Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th May	SATs Daily breakfast at 8:30am
Monday, 5th June	INSET: School closed
Monday 12th—Friday 16th June	KS2 Dunston Cup
Monday 19th—Friday 23rd June	Access All Arts Week

Date	Event
Monday, 26th—Friday, 30th June	Diversity Week
Monday, 3rd—Friday, 7th July	Sports’ Week
Thursday, 20th July	Y6 Leavers’ Event
Friday 14 July	End of year reports to parents
Mon 17—Wed 19 July	Ford Castle Residential

Any further dates e.g. End of Year Celebrations will be shared with you as soon as they are confirmed.

We regularly use Facebook, text and email to update and remind parents of events.

Please ensure that the office have your current mobile and email address

Curriculum Overview



YEAR 6

Summer 2023



Dunston Hill
Community Primary School

Ready



Respect



Kind



Welcome



Welcome to the final term of Year 6. A term which will be filled with hard-work, fun and creating those lasting memories before 6P and 6R leave Dunston Hill Primary School happy and proud.

We are really looking forward to working with you all this term—Miss Parkin, Miss Reay and Mrs Gaulton.

English Overview



This term, we will develop our range of writing further we will focus on writing structured pieces, from a range of genres which allow us to exercise our writing skills. We will plan, draft and write the following:

An informal diary writing to depict the D-Day landings of 1944.

A suspense narrative based on the mysterious disappearance of a young girl named Francis

A CSI report on what really happened the day the wolf visited the 'Three Little Pigs'.

A balanced argument based on the interests of the children,

A narrative based on a steam-punk genre.

Our SPaG skills will be continuously embedded into our writing as well as being discretely taught as necessary. We will have a particular focus on: cohesion within our writing and using a range of clauses effectively including when to split them with the correct punctuation.

Guided Reading will see us read Lara William's "A Boy Called Hope" where we will revise all our reading skills which we have learnt over the year as well as debate topics the book shares.

Maths Overview



During our final term, we will continue to develop our mental recall and Arithmetic skills hence learning and applying weekly number facts will remain a focus.

TTRS and weekly battles will also continue to be set.

With regard to the maths curriculum, the mastery approach to maths will include a variety of consolidation and themed projects as we prepare our children for Y7. This will include:

- Developing and applying effective problem solving strategies
- Understanding how to run a successful bakery—considering profit and loss, packaging and potential cooking problems
- Organising and planning a holiday—considering prices, budget, suitable accommodation and even time difference
- Gaining an understanding of financial responsibilities such as salary, mortgage, bills and house repairs.

Science Overview



This term, we are learning about light and how we can prove it travels in straight lines. We will also investigate the size and shape of shadows as well as appreciate how important the eye is enabling us to see. Following this, our next topic will be living things and their habitats. We will classify animals and plants based upon specific characteristics as well as identify similarities and differences between micro-organisms, animals and plants.

Our Curriculum



R.E/PSHE: Our RE lessons will see us developing our understanding of Islam through answering the "Big Question" - Does belief in Akhira (life after death) help Muslims lead good lives? PSHE shall see us focus on rights and responsibilities including: behaviour, laws, diversity, customs and human rights.

History /Geography : During this half term we will complete our WW2 topic: exploring the story behind the Kenton Bunker; exploring the meaning of genocide and the treatment of Jewish people during WW2 and the changing role of women in British society. We will then complete our final Geography topic looking at Tourism in the UK, Europe and North America and the impact natural disasters can have on this area of trade.

Music / DT: We will complete two DT units this half term, firstly we will develop our food technology skills in our "Come dine with me". We will then go onto using our scientific knowledge about electricity to create a hand-held game. Our music lessons will see us focus on musical notation and applying this knowledge to playing well-known songs on tuned instruments.

Computing: Our Computing curriculum will focus on creating a personalised 'blog' about something of interest, Algorithms, making a movie trailer linked to a current topic and when online, ensuring we have appropriate privacy and security settings.

MFL: We will continue to follow simple classroom commands as well as say what I and others do and say how many and describe things.

PE: We are excited for a summer of sport! Our children will be learning tennis skills and application to a game and then a range of disciplines from both track and field in athletics.

Homework



Our priority is always to work collaboratively with parents and carers to secure children's knowledge and application of basic skills in reading, writing and maths. For this reason, our homework expectations are outlined on the next page and we ask you to support us with the following in consolidating our children's basic skills. We believe that regular homework is a key part of preparing your child for secondary school.