



Jessie Younghusband School

Year 6 – Curriculum Letter – Summer Term 2023

I hope you and the children have had a relaxing Easter break. The purpose of this curriculum letter is to provide useful information relating to your child's learning this term. I would also like to take the opportunity to warmly welcome student teacher Scott Cooper to Year Six. He met the children before the Easter break and will be teaching alongside me this half term.

Highlights for this term:

Geography - Plastic Pollution

In this geography unit, the children will identify the different effects that plastic waste has in our environment. This will be the basis of our **writing** focus this half term, as well as an **art** project which will focus on printing.

Science

Our science focus this term is on animals, including humans. We will be learning about the human circulatory system, the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way the body functions and the ways in which nutrients and water are transported.

SATs

As a reminder, here are the dates for the KS2 tests:

Tuesday 9th May	Wednesday 10th May	Thursday 11th May	Friday 12th May
Spelling, punctuation and grammar tests – papers 1 & 2.	Reading test	Maths tests – papers 1 & 2.	Maths test – paper 3.

The children will be invited to arrive at school a little earlier each day at 8:15 a.m. to attend a breakfast club. Further details about this will be sent in due course.

SATs Revision/Home learning

Please find below the suggested timetable that was given to the children in March to help the children with their SATs revision. The children are encouraged to bring in their books as often as possible, so we are able to offer targeted support for their early morning work.

Home learning tasks will continue to be set once a week, typically in English and Maths but occasionally in other subjects as well after SATs week. Most tasks will be linked to the

learning that we have done in class. This will be set each Friday and due in again the following Wednesday.

Week Beginning	Maths CGP Maths SATS Question Book -	English CGP English (Reading and SPAG) SATs Question Book
6th March	Section 1 - Number & Place Value	Section 1 – Reading + Mixed Practice – Story
13th March	Section 2 - Calculations	Section 2 – Word types
20th March	Section 3 - Fractions Decimals and Percentages (F.D.P)	Section 3 - Sentences and Tenses
27th March	Section 4- Ratio, Proportion & Algebra	Section 4 - Punctuation
3rd April 10th April	Recap – Section 2 - Calculations Recap – Section 3 - F.D.P	Recap - Section 2 – Word types Recap - Section 4 - Punctuation
17th April	Section 5 - Measure Section 6 - Geometry	Section 5 – Vocabulary Section 1 - Mixed Practice – Poem
24th April	Section 7 - Statistics	Section 6 – Spelling Section 1 - Mixed Practice –Non-Fiction
1st May	Recap – Section 2 - Calculations Recap – Section 3 - F.D.P	Recap - Section 2 – Word types Recap - Section 4 - Punctuation
8th May	SATs Week 9th -12th May	

SATs Treat Day

After SATs (week beginning the 15th May) we are planning to have some ‘treat’ activities to help celebrate the completion of their tests, funded by money raised earlier this academic year during Enterprise Week. This will include a visit to Wagamamas for some tasty brunch and a visit to Tenpin Chichester for a game of bowling. More information to follow.

Cobnor Activities Centre

Later this term, the Year six children will be attending their residential trip to Cobnor on **Wednesday 28th June - Friday 30th June 2023**. There will be an information meeting later this half term (date to be confirmed) alongside some printed materials to follow.

Transition

The children have all now found out their secondary school places. There will be a transition day on Wednesday 5th July (TBC) and the schools will contact you directly if they haven't already done so with further information. Traditionally this has been a day when the children go in person to the school but there are often activities that the schools ask the children to complete ahead of their start in September.

In class this term, and as part of our PSHE provision we will start to build in some lessons to help support them with their transition to secondary school.

Mobile Phones

This is a polite reminder to all parents your child is to only bring a mobile phone to school if it is absolutely necessary as it is causing disruption at the beginning and the end of the day.

End - Of - Year Production

This term the children will complete auditions for the Aladdin production that will take place at the end of the year.

The roles will be allocated in due course and the children will receive a script to take home to familiarise themselves with the play. We look forward to inviting you to school at the end of the year.

P.E.

P.E. lessons will continue to be on **Monday** and **Thursday** afternoons and we would be very grateful if you could ensure that the children have the correct kit for their lessons. This half term the children will be enjoying athletics and cricket.

Reading

Regular reading is essential, daily if possible. This could include reading books (fiction and non-fiction), newspapers, magazines/comics etc. The majority of our writing this term will relate to tailoring writing for different audiences, purposes and genres, so reading a range of texts will help them really understand how writing differs depending on the context. Whilst many children will be reading independently, please do continue to discuss the books or texts your child is reading from time to time – this helps to gauge their understanding of what they are reading. The children will be expected to fill in their reading records in class and many

have now established a good habit in doing so.

Many parents ask me for book recommendations to help support with reading at home. Please find here a link to recent titles (many of which are in our library) that you may find useful.

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/year-6>

Spellings

Spelling patterns and rules will continue to be learnt and explored in class. Thank you for your continued support in helping your children to learn them at home.

Ideas for supporting your child's learning:

Useful websites include:

<https://www.trockstars.com> - A brilliant resource to help improve times table and division recall speed!

<https://corbettmathsprimary.com> - a useful maths website with videos and resources to help consolidate learning and explain more challenging content.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button> - is an interactive maths game with quick fire questions on number bonds, times tables, doubling and halving, multiples, division facts and square numbers

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/english-games/7-11-years/spelling-and-grammar> - interactive spelling, punctuation and grammar games.

<https://www.sussexgreenliving.co.uk/author/carrie/> - An informative website about caring for our local environment with useful information about plastic pollution.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you have given your child over the last term with their home learning tasks. Your time and efforts are greatly appreciated and have enhanced the children's learning experiences hugely.

Best wishes,

Mr Harman