

### What Are We Learning in Year 6?



In the Summer term, we will be reading "Once" by Morris Gleitzman, and will be following that with "Grandpa Frank's great big bucket list" by Jenny Pearson.

Our first class book, "Once", links to our work in history and RE lessons where we will be studying WW2 and how Jewish and other peoples were persecuted during this time. After looking at the events that led to the war and the rise of the Nazi party, we will learn about how the war affected Britain, with a focus on the Blitz.

In writing, we will be writing journals and factfiles influenced by the book Terra Ultima. We will also be writing stories based on the beautiful video 'The Piano' by Aiden Gibbons.



In Science we move on to look at the human heart and the eye; in DT, we will be starting a tasty pasta making project; in Geography, we will continue our project on the rainforests before starting a new topic all about settlements. In Music, we will be practicing the song "You've got a Friend" as well as starting rehearsals for our end of Y6 performance.



# **Newsletter - Summer 2025**

### **Changes to Year 6 PE**

Year 6 PE is now on a Thursday morning.

Class 11 will go swimming before half term, and class 12 will go swimming after half term. The class not swimming will do PE in school on a Thursday morning.

### **Other Information**

- Boosters continue until SATs. The final week of boosters is the week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> of May. There are no boosters during SATs week.
- Please make sure your child brings a reusable water bottle into school. This helps the children to stay hydrated.
- As we move further into summer term, please make sure your children are sun safe. Children should bring a sunhat to wear and come to school with sun cream applied. They may bring sun cream to keep in their locker and apply themselves.
- We will continue to use Class Dojo to send messages and share learning. Weekly spellings will also posted on Dojo. Please let us know if you are having trouble logging in.
- Homework in year 6 is given out on a Friday and is due back in the following Friday. New spellings to practice are given out Tuesday. The spelling test is also on Tuesdays.

#### **Uniform**

Thank you to everyone who is arriving at school in the correct uniform. Can we please remind children and parents that jewellery, make-up and false nails are **not** part of our Netherfield uniform.

## SATs week 2025

The children have been working incredibly hard this year and are all ready for their SATs tests. Every child in the country sits these tests during the same week. The timetable is as follows:

Date	Test
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	English reading
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Maths papers 1 and 2
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Maths paper 3

If you have any questions, worries or concerns regarding SATs week, please come and speak to one of the year 6 team – you can also call us on the school phone number or message us on Class Dojo.

# Dates for your Diary:

SATs week: WB 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Trip to Holocaust Centre: 11<sup>th</sup> June

Sports day: TBC

Y6 Walesby residential: 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 performance: 22<sup>nd</sup> July (afternoon and evening)

Year 6 graduation (parents/ carers invited): 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Classtonbury (end of Y6 celebration): 24<sup>th</sup> July

# **Reading Recommendations**

## The Final Year





by Katherine Rundell Rated ☆☆☆☆☆ by Ms McElhone

by Padraig Kenny Rated ☆☆☆☆☆ by Mr Cooper

Both of these books are available to borrow from the year six libraries!