

Farnsfield St. Michael's C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 5 and 6!

This letter aims to give you some important information about the Year 5/6 team, our curriculum and key dates so you can plan for the year ahead.

Our team:

Foxgloves (Year 5)



Mrs Weaver (works Monday-Wednesday)



Mrs Swales (works Wednesday-Friday)

Lupins (Year 5/6)



Mr Marshall

Sunflowers (Year 6)



Miss Lewis

We are also lucky to have a number of Teaching Assistants with us during the week including:



Mrs Meanley

Mrs Turner

Mrs Vardy

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Important Information:

Equipment - As your child enters UKS2, we encourage them to become more independent. If you would like to provide your child with some of the equipment listed below in a small, named pencil case (which will fit in their tray) for their individual use, please feel free to do so.

- Pencil
- Ruler
- Sharpener
- Rubber
- Glue stick
- Colouring crayons
- Pair of scissors



Other than the small pencil case and stationery listed above, your children will need to bring: their reading book (and Guided Reading book), Reading Record, packed lunch (if not having a hot dinner), water bottle, a weather-appropriate coat and outdoor shoes you don't mind them getting wet and muddy for any outdoor lessons taking place in wet weather.



PE Days:

- Foxgloves - Monday and Thursday.
- Lupins - Wednesday and Thursday.
- Sunflowers - Wednesday and Friday.



Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on their PE days.

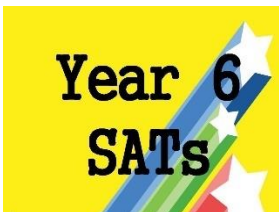
Our PE kit consists of: a plain white t-shirt or polo-shirt, plain black shorts or PE skirt, a plain black sweatshirt, plain black jogging trousers and trainers

Reading - All children will take part in Guided Reading within their classes, with follow up activities to be completed in school. They may also bring these books home to read ahead for the next session. In addition, each child is expected to have an **individual reading** book suitable for their own reading ability, available in school at all times. The children should record details of their own reading in their reading record book; both reading at school and reading at home (it is expected that the diary is brought into school every day). **Our school expectation is that, on at least three occasions a week, you discuss a book/text with your child and make an entry in their reading diary, ensuring it is then signed.**



Homework - Each week, your child will bring home spelling patterns/words to learn, which will be tested in school. They will also be set homework on Maths.co.uk, TT Rock Stars and SPaG.com. The Maths and SPaG homework will usually be set alternate weeks, but the TT Rockstars Homework will be set every week. Homework will usually be set on a Wednesday; it will be expected back by the following Wednesday, unless the children are otherwise told.

Important dates:



As usual, Year 6 pupils will be taking their SATs (Statutory Assessment Tests) in the Summer Term. These will take place from **Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May 2024**. Further to this, the Year 6 writing assessment continues until the end of June. Please make sure your child does not miss any school time leading up to and during this important period.



The Year 5 residential to **Boggle Hole** will take place from **Monday 4th to Wednesday 6th March**. The Year 6 residential visit to **Hagg Farm** will take place from **Monday 20th to Friday 24th May**. Further details on both visits will be available in the Autumn Term.



Both year groups will take part in end of year performances and will need to be in school for all rehearsals during late June and July. Year 6 pupils will also have their Leavers' Party and a Leavers' Service in the last week of the Summer Term.

Autumn Term Curriculum Overview

Outlined below is a list of what's in store for Years 5/6 in the next term:



- English:** Narrative, Procedural Texts, Diaries, Poetry, Persuasive Letters,
- Maths:** Number and the number system, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division. Year 6 will also cover fractions.
- Discover:** What if we lived through WWII?
- Science:** Earth and Space, Forces
- RE:** Creation, Incarnation

Thank you for your continuing support. As always if you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to telephone or call in after school to make a convenient appointment.

Best wishes

Miss Lewis, Mr Marshall, Mrs Swales and Mrs Weaver