



Hello!

After another crazy, challenging year, we have a busy term ahead for Year 6 with lots going on. I hope that you, the children and I can continue to work together as one in order to get them as ready as possible for their next step to Secondary School.

With SATs tests upon us (**w/c 9<sup>th</sup> May**) it's especially important that your child is back into the routine of early nights so that they are properly rested for what is always a busy week. As you know, full attendance is essential at all times, so that your child does not miss any key learning time on the lead up to their tests.

#### Test Timetable



Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	SPAG Tests (grammar and spelling)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Reading test
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Maths 1 arithmetic & Maths 2 Reasoning
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Maths 3 Reasoning
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Afternoon park visit treat - weather permitting!

**Homework:** thank you for your support with homework - it will continue beyond our SATs tests in order to maintain good routines and to help your child get ready for September. Please continue to sign ALL homework (once checked) before handing in each Monday. Homework will ALWAYS be on SEESAW and occasionally there are videos on there to help your child work out tricky maths problems. It normally consists of:

- Weekly spellings to learn (forever!)
- Reading - x3 per week recorded and new /interesting words noted down.
- Maths & English (could be paper-based or online via IXL or perhaps LBQ)

I will aim to **set the homework on a Thursday**, and it will be due by the following **Monday**.

**PE** - for summer term 1, PE will be on a Monday and a Thursday. Please ensure full, correct kit is in school on those days. A warm top and trainers are also essential.

**Design Technology (DT)** - this term, we will hopefully be making small electric model cars which

incorporate a simple circuit. My hope is that each child will make their own which they can take home and keep. I would be really grateful for any donations of £2 in order to help replace the consumables used in the making of the cars. Any donations can be sent into school directly or via Parent Pay. Sincere thanks for this.

**This term we will also be:**

- \* welcoming in an educational visitor to help run a science workshop on 'evolution' in June - details to follow.
- \* leading the school Eucharist - This will be held in church on 6<sup>th</sup> July at 9:15am. All parents welcome
- \* running 'transition' sessions in preparation for Secondary School.
- \* spending some more time with our buddies (hopefully!)
- \* holding our residential at Robinwood 10-12 June
- \* welcoming a motivational speaker into Y6 on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June
- \* Year 6 visit to Manchester Cathedral for the Diocesan Year 6 Leavers' Service.
- \* holding a Sports Day
- \* holding our final Leavers' service Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. This will be a very special occasion which will incorporate a performance from all Year 6 pupils, together with our special awards, trophies and presentation of bibles. The incorporation of the year 6 performance will be in place of a separate production.

Plus more besides!

**In Literacy** we will be thinking about persuasive writing, poetry, short stories and play-scripts. We will continue to write throughout the term, with an emphasis on trying to focus on the needs of the reader.



**Numeracy** will see us using and applying maths skills in different contexts. It's very important that we know how to solve problems.

***It is equally important to keep up with + - X / methods and mental maths. Try a few questions every day.***



**Are you a Slave or Soldier, Warrior or Philosopher?** This is a **history** topic covering aspects of life in the times of the Ancient Greeks. Why not visit the library or use the Internet to read up on the subject for yourself?

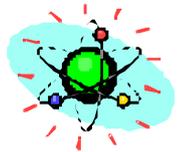
**Where in the world?** This **geography** unit is based around maps and atlases and will enable us to find out about some of the geographical features of our world. We will also be looking at drawing simple maps and using latitude and longitude references. It will also incorporate some revision time and locational knowledge, in order to help prepare children for Secondary School geography.

**Science** - Our topic question is: '**Where do we all come from?**' This topic looks closely at the theory of evolution.

**P.S.H.E.** Transition ~ Moving On

British Values - Democracy, Law and Tolerance of other faiths

Sex and Relationships Education and Healthy Living.



In **RE** we will continue our work on Christianity. We will also explore some further aspects of Islam.

**I.C.T.** Communication and presentation (including PowerPoint and document sharing)

**Music** will also feature in our leavers' service.

**Finally**

Don't forget, if you do have any questions, do please ask. We want your child to enjoy their final weeks at St Mary's and we will do our very best to help make sure that happens.



Thanks for all your support!

Mr Day

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<https://www.stmaryssecrompton.oldham.sch.uk/category/year-6/>