



YEAR 6

SUMMER 2026



I can't believe we are in the final term of this year already and off to a busy, brilliant start! We are a few weeks away from SATs so please try to ensure children are at school everyday to ensure they don't miss any essential learning or revision.

Reading

This term we are going to be finishing our class novel Holes and then will read The Hobbit. We will continue to develop our DERIC skills and encourage children to read at home frequently.

If they write in their home logs, they will get a dojo point. Now they are in Year 6 they can write in their logs themselves.

Literacy

In literacy, we have been writing persuasive letters. We will then move on to work on non-chronological reports and poetry. The children have made fantastic progress in writing this year and we will continue to work on spelling, grammar, punctuation and handwriting through our writing.

Maths

Our final units of work for this year will be on geometry and statistics. Once we have completed these, we will be revising previous learning prior to our SATs. Following SATS, we will be recovering elements of the key stage 2 curriculum that need more work and ensuring secure knowledge prior to secondary school.

Science

In science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats and evolution. Within this unit, the children will be building on their understanding of fossils, habitats and human development. They will recognise that living things have changed over time, identifying the importance of fossils in this process. They will explore inheritance, specifically focusing on offspring.

Geography and history

We will be finishing our geography learning focussing on Russia and then in history we will be learning about the Kingdom of Benin.

In this unit, children will continue to develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history by learning about some key events in African history and how the kingdom of Benin formed. They will note connections, contrasts and trends over time and develop the appropriate use of historical terms by learning about the religious beliefs of the people of ancient Benin. We will regularly address and sometimes devise historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference, and significance by learning about why the art of Benin challenged the world's perceptions of African art. Through our learning we will construct informed responses that involve thoughtful selection and organisation of relevant historical information by finding out about the oral tradition of history in African communities.

For more curriculum information, visit the website to view the schemes of learning.
<https://www.walbottlevillage.newcastle.sch.uk/curriculum-overviews/>

Class Dojo

As part of some changes to our behaviour policy, the children will now be awarded golden ticket points through class dojo. When the children meet one of our Walbottle school values (be kind, be respectful, work hard) they will receive a point which you will be able to view. They will also get a point for 100% attendance each week. Children will be able to exchange these points for reward vouchers as they did with golden tickets.

If you are not on class dojo, please check your emails because I will have sent an invite. If you can't find this, let me know and I will send out another invite.

PE

Our PE days will still be on Thursday and Friday. Can children please come into school in their school PE kit? Children must wear trainers and no jewellery. Crocs are not appropriate footwear for PE.

Homework

Homework matrix and revision materials for SATs are on the Year 6 page on the website. Children should also be reading frequently and recording in their logs (even if they are free readers). Spelling tests will be on Fridays and are dated on the sheet. Children who get a different set of spellings will be tested on Fridays but will bring their words home on a weekly basis.

Summer

As the weather begins to get warmer, can children please bring a water bottle to school each day? On sunnier days, they should also wear sun cream and bring a hat into school so they are safe in the sun.

Uniform

Please can children wear their correct school uniform each day? This includes their school tie and black shoes.

Thank you for your continued support.
Please do come and see me if you need anything at all.

Mrs Ingles.