



"Learning together,
learning for life"

AUTUMN TERM 2026

PE days: Monday
and Friday

Homework due in
on Mondays

KEY DATES:

14th to 18th
September-
Bikeability week

23rd September-
Parliament trip for
group 1 leaders

5th October-
Inset day

7th October-
parliament trip
for group 2
leaders

21st and 22nd
October- Parents
evening

Year Six Newsletter Autumn 1 2026 Welcome back!



We hope you have had a lovely summer and the children are refreshed and ready for the exciting term ahead!

Meet our team

We have three Year 6 classes who work very closely together.

Alcott Class - 6A



Mrs Burroughs
(Assistant Headteacher
and Year 6 leader)

Freeman Class - 6B



Miss Yeates
Mrs McNeill (working
across all classes)

Irwin Class - 6C



Miss Gallagher
Mrs Tyler (AM)
Mrs Eccleston (PM)

End of the day arrangements

If you would like your child to walk home on their own or round to a sibling's class, please notify their class teacher of this arrangement. Likewise, if your child is going home with a friend, or someone other than yourselves, please notify the office or class teachers. Thank you.

Homework

Homework will be set on a Tuesday and is due in the following Monday. As we prepare the children for secondary school, it is vital that they complete their homework and hand it in on time.

The expectation is that the children read at home 5 times per week in addition to their homework.

How you can help at home

Daily reading- even 10-15 minutes of reading aloud or independently has a measurable long-term effect on vocabulary, comprehension and overall academic progress. If your child is struggling to find a book they enjoy, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Our topic this term is called: 'I'm a Year 6 pupil, can you get me out of here?'

English In English, we are studying the book <i>Survivors</i> by David Long, focusing on the incredible survival story of Juliane Koepcke. The children will recap different sentence types and paragraphing skills before using what they have learned to create their own survival guides.	Maths In Maths, we will be beginning our learning by looking at place value. After this, we will be focusing on calculation and looking at the four operations. Problem solving will play a big part in our maths lessons as well as continuing to develop their arithmetic skills.	Science Our Science topic this term is looking at light. Children will learn about how light travels, explore reflection and investigate how shadows can change.
Computing The children will be introduced to creating websites for a chosen purpose. The children will identify what makes a good web page and use this information to design and evaluate their own website. They will pay specific attention to copyright and fair use of media, the aesthetics of the site and navigation paths.	History and Geography In geography, we will be focusing on maps and co-ordinates. We will investigate how to use six-figure grid references and explore how contour lines can help. We will also be using digi map and creating our own maps to help Year R navigate themselves in and around the school. In history we will be learning all about the Ancient Greeks.	Art Our upcoming Art unit will focus on Ancient Greek architecture. The children will explore the patterns and decorative features found on Greek buildings and use these ideas to create their own technical drawing of a Greek building. They will also experiment with ink washes to create a background for their final piece.
PE Year 6 will have their PE lessons on a Friday with their class teacher and a Monday afternoon with Mr Tavender. Please ensure the children have appropriate PE kit depending on the weather.	Music The children will explore a contemporary and popular form of instrumental calypso. It is the sound of the carnival, warming up and a call out to people on the streets to move and smile in joyful anticipation of the carnival fun to come.	PSHE Our PSHE topic this term is called Health and Wellbeing. We will focus on the importance of physical and mental health. We will also focus on images in the media and how this can impact our mental health.
RE- Our RE topic will be focusing on Identity.		

We look forward to getting to know you this term. Please see your child's class teacher if you have any questions or concerns, or simply to say hello.

Mrs Burrough

Miss Yeates

Miss Gallagher