

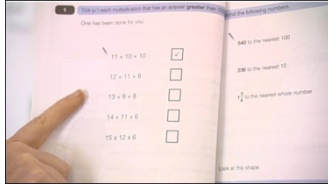


Wecome to the Summer Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the final term at Farnborough Primary!

With SATs only a few weeks away, I assure you that the class will continue to work extremely hard to achieve their full potential. This is our last term together, and it will be a happy, entertaining and enjoyable term for all. This busy, but exciting term will be the final piece of the jigsaw preparing your child for their new challenge of secondary school.



1. Literacy:

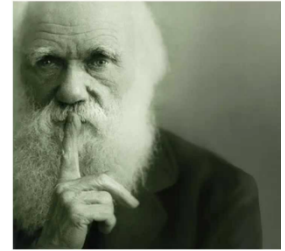
This term in Literacy we will continue to look at a variety of different writing genres including: persuasive writing, balanced arguments, information texts, narratives and poetry.

2. Numeracy:

Over the next few weeks we will be revising topics in preparation for the SATS. We will be focusing on a variety of different topics in Mathematics including: 2D and 3D shape, time, ratio and proportion, fractions, decimals, percentages, pie charts and bar charts, as well as money and measurement. Afterwards, year 6 children will be completing mathematical investigations, as well as completing Transition Units in Mathematics in preparation for Year 7.

3. Science:

As scientists we will be completing our work on Evolution and looking in closer detail at the work of Charles Darwin, Mary Anning and Alfred Russel Wallace.



Our new topic will be electricity. In this topic, we will revise simple circuits and then learn to use a wider range of electrical components, make changes to electrical circuits and compare how they operate through practical activity. We will also look at the importance of symbols and how to identify parts of a circuit, as well as learn about the electrical dangers. We will also be studying the topic of Light and How we see things.

4. ICT

In ICT we will be continuing our work on coding, looking at how instructions entered into a program can affect movement and shape of objects.

5. History:

As historians, we will be focusing on Britain since 1948 and looking at the Space Race, man landing on the moon and how the world has changed since the end of World War II.

6. Geography:

As geographers we will be looking at different countries around the world and completing a project on islands. We will also be improving our mapping skills and developing our knowledge of six figure grid references.



7. PE:

Our PE slots are still the same:

Mondays

On Monday we have outdoor P.E. where we will be developing our cricket and rounders skills with the aim of improving our throwing and catching accuracy.

Tuesdays

On Tuesday we have outdoor P.E. again, where children will be practising their football skills, as well as developing their athletics skills.



Please can you ensure that your child has the correct kit in school. Just a reminder that jewellery must be removed during PE lessons.

8. Art:



In Art this term the children will be learning about the artist Matisse, who was famous for his cut-out pictures.

Children will experience that art isn't only about painting. They will experiment designing and making a print in the style of Matisse, as well as creating their own layered cut-out pictures from memory.

9. RE:

In RE this term we will be looking in greater depth at Hinduism and pilgrimage.

Sex Education

Year 6 will be studying the material appropriate for their year group starting the week beginning 26th June. The sessions will involve viewing DVDs followed by reflection time and class discussion. We will have some single sex discussion groups where appropriate. The content of these sessions is aimed to help children make informed choices about friendships, relationships and sexual behaviour focusing on how babies are made and born. If you would like to view the material before the sessions are delivered there will be a session available for you this purpose. If you do not want your child to take part in the sex education lessons please inform us by letter.

10. Reading:

Reading is still an essential part of Year 6 and children should be reading every day. Reading records will continue to be collected and checked every Thursday.

This quote has inspired us in Year 6 to read a variety of different texts.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

Assessments:

Although we don't want the children to become overwhelmed by the impending SATs that lie ahead, we will be completing some past SATs papers in test conditions in order to become familiar with the testing format and identify areas that need further development or practice.

SATS week commences week beginning Monday 8th May and will finish on Thursday 12th May. During this week, it is recommended that children have an early night and come to school with a bottle of water, a snack for break time and a book.

Below is the SATS timetable for week beginning the 8th May.

SATs

Monday 8th May

Tuesday 9th May

Wednesday 10th May

Thursday 11th May

Friday 12th May

Reading Comprehension Paper
Grammar, Punctuation and
Spelling Paper

Maths Paper 1 Arithmetic
Maths Paper 2 Reasoning
Maths Paper 3 Reasoning

No SATS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

8th May – SATs Week

18th May – Isle of Wight Parent Information Event

22nd June – Junior Sports Day

12th June – School Journey to the Isle of Wight

29th June – Sex Education Lesson

12th and 13th July – Year 5 and 6 Production of Super Stan

19th July – Leavers' Assembly and Last day of term