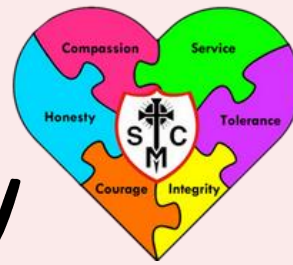


Year 6

Newsletter



Welcome Back!

Welcome to a new school year! Our first week will be filled with exciting activities and new discoveries. We will discuss and understand the importance of us being role models to the rest of the school through our choices, words and actions. We will think about our aspirations for the future creating dream boards, exploring different career possibilities and displaying them in our cloakroom to keep us focused and motivated for the year ahead.

Miss Cattigan

Timetable

MONDAYS

Bring in homework & Spelling Test
Reading Record Check Group 1

TUESDAYS

Reading Record Check Group 2

WEDNESDAYS

Times Tables Rockstars checked.
Reading Record Check Group 3

THURSDAYS

PE Day (PE Kit)
Times Table Test (Scores recorded)
Reading Record Check Group 4

FRIDAYS

Fitness (PE Kit) & Reading Record Check Group 5



Reading at home

Reading at home is one of the best ways to help your child grow their vocabulary and improve their overall reading skills. Just 15 minutes of reading each night can make a big difference. When children read regularly, they learn new words in context, which helps them remember and use those words in their own writing. It also improves their understanding of what they read, making schoolwork easier. Unfortunately, more screen time and less reading have had a negative impact on children's reading habits. Many children are now reading at a slower pace and with less understanding. By setting aside time to read each night, you can help your child build strong reading habits that support their success in school and beyond. **Therefore there is an expectation in Year 6 for your child to record their reading EVERY NIGHT in their reading record which must be signed by an adult each week.** The page numbers read and a comment about what they have read is required to show they have connected with the text and have an understanding of what they are reading. Reading Records will be checked weekly by an adult to ensure progress is being made.





Reading Records

Reading Records will be checked in school each week. Please ensure reading books and reading records are in school everyday. Below outlines the expectations for a Year 6 reading record to ensure your child makes the best progress

1. Write the date (this must be everyday, any dates missing will be questioned)
2. Record the page number you read from and to e.g. pg. 9-12
3. Write **one comment** about what has been read such as:
 - What do you know now that you didn't know before?
 - Write the words you have read that you didn't understand? (Look them up in a dictionary).
 - Describe the character at this point in the text.
 - Predict what might happen next.
4. Get an adult to sign your reading record **every week** to show you have read at home.



Homework

- **Read each night at home**
- **Times Tables**
- **Spellings to learn for a spelling test each week**
- **Target Booklets to practice for SATs** (Please note your child will be given target booklets to complete and return the next day, this will vary each week depending on targets and progress).



Upcoming Events

Year 6 Hoodies

Please keep checking Arbor for upcoming information on how to order a Year 6 Leavers Hoodies for your child.

Briars Trip: Wednesday 14th – Friday 16th January

To secure your child's place, please check Arbor for payment information and the deposit amount required.

Please explore the website to find out more
[NDCYS – Nottingham Diocesan Catholic Youth Service](#)

SATs Tests: Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May 2026

PLEASE DO NOT BOOK ANY HOLIDAYS or APPOINTMENTS DURING SATs WEEK

Important Reminders

Healthy Snack and Water Bottle

Please pack a **healthy** snack (no crisps or chocolate) and a water bottle for your child each day. This helps keep them energised and hydrated throughout their busy day.

Uniform

As Year 6 role models we are required to wear a full school uniform, this includes smart black shoes, not black trainers.

PE Kits

Please make sure children wear the full school PE kit in our school colours (red and black). For safety, trainers should be worn during PE lessons.

Mobile Devices

If your child has a mobile device please ensure you monitor it regularly. Most APPs have an age rating of 13. Here is a useful and informative link for support
[What is social media? | NSPCC](#)

