Year 6 Summer 2 2026

St Catherine's CE Primary School

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Summer Term

We cannot believe the final half term has arrived for our Year 6 children! To celebrate we have lots of exciting projects, lessons and events planned!

Our book this term is 'The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr Morris Lessmore'.



English

This half term in English, we will continue our new unit based on 'The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore', where we will share and discuss our favourite books and explore how stories can be brought to life through imaginative writing. Alongside this, we will revisit and edit some of our previous pieces of writing, developing our skills in revising, improving vocabulary, and refining our work to become more confident and thoughtful writers.

Science

In Science, our topic of Electricity will see us thinking like real scientists and engineers as we explore how electrical circuits work. We will learn to identify and draw a range of electrical components, including bulbs, buzzers, switches and motors, and understand how they are represented in circuit diagrams. We'll investigate how these components are used in everyday items and discover how electricity powers the world around us. Through hands-on experiments, we will test different circuits to see what makes them work effectively, before designing and creating our own circuits to use in exciting toys and games!

Geography

In Geography this half term, we will be exploring the fascinating world of mountains, with a particular focus on Mount Everest, the highest mountain on Earth. We will learn about how mountains are formed, where Mount Everest is located, and the unique challenges faced by people and wildlife living in mountainous regions. We will also investigate the extreme environment of Everest, including its cold temperatures, thin air, glaciers, and changing weather conditions. Through a range of engaging activities, children will develop their geographical knowledge and gain a greater understanding of this remarkable natural landmark.

Maths

In Maths, we will continue to think like mathematicians through our exciting Enterprise project, applying our knowledge and skills in real-life contexts. Pupils have already begun preparing for Enterprise as they work towards raising money for their leavers' events. They will plan, design and create their own products to sell at the Enterprise Fayre in July, carefully budgeting for materials and ensuring their ideas are cost-effective. As part of this learning, children will compare prices, shop around for the best deals and explore ways to make savings, developing their confidence in using maths in practical and meaningful situations.

Enterprise Project

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Computing

This half term in Computing, we will be completing our coding unit, where children will continue to develop their programming skills by creating, testing, and debugging their own programs. They will build on their understanding of algorithms and logical thinking before moving on to our new topic of spreadsheets. During this unit, we will learn how to enter and organise data, use simple formulas, and create charts to present information effectively. These skills will help them understand how spreadsheets can be used to analyse data and solve real-world problems.

RE

In RE this half term, we will be exploring the question: *What do religious and non-religious worldviews teach about caring for the Earth?* Through our study of Green Religion, we will investigate how different faiths and belief systems encourage people to respect, protect, and care for the environment. We will learn about the responsibilities that many religions place on individuals to look after the natural world, as well as how non-religious worldviews promote environmental stewardship and sustainability. Through discussion and reflection, we will consider their own role in caring for the planet and the positive actions they can take to help protect it for future generations.

PE

PE for both classes will take place on Tuesdays this term.
Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their full PE kit on this day, including suitable footwear for outdoor activities; long hair should be tied back and jewellery should not be worn.

Heads and Hearts (PSHE)

This half term in Heads and Hearts, pupils will participate in a comprehensive PSHE programme that promotes wellbeing and development. Over the half term, Year 6 students will engage in RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) lessons covering topics such as puberty, personal hygiene, reproduction, changing emotions, independence, and safety, with opportunities to ask questions. These lessons are taught in a safe, supportive environment aligned with the school's values, and parental feedback after our meeting in May has been very positive.

High School Transition Days

Throughout this half term, the children will be invited to attend their secondary school for transition days. Letters will be coming home shortly sharing the new starter information. Secondary staff are visiting school to introduce themselves and answer any questions the children have. Secondary schools email parents directly with transition dates for pupils, so the best way to keep informed as to your child's transition dates is to watch for any communication from your child's secondary school.

Leavers' Plans

We have an exciting last week planned for the Year 6 children. We will be having an end of year celebration during the last week. There will be more information about this in the coming weeks. The children will be provided with a leavers' photo as a memento of their time at St Catherine's. Parents and carers will be invited to share songs on the last day and see the children bid a fond farewell in the annual Year 6 celebration.

Homework and Home Learning

Spelling and Maths homework will continue to be set each Friday using SATs Companion, an interactive online platform where pupils can watch helpful recap videos before completing quizzes to check their understanding. In addition to tasks set by teachers, children can also choose to practise Maths, Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, helping them to strengthen any areas they would like to feel more confident in. It's been wonderful to see so many pupils already making great use of the site—login details can be found in homework books.
Please continue to encourage your child to read for 10–15 minutes every day, as building the habit of regular reading at home is essential preparation for secondary school and supports learning across the curriculum. Once a book is finished, pupils can quiz in school as part of our Accelerated Reader programme and earn points towards their profile. We are incredibly proud of the commitment Year 6 are showing, with impressive weekly word counts across both classes—we wait with great excitement to see what the final totals for the year are!

Renaissance Accelerated Reader

Dates for your diary

- Wednesday 3rd June - Friday 5th June – Llanrug residential
- Friday 12th June – Chocolate Non Uniform Day
- Friday 19th June – Bottle Non Uniform Day
- Friday 19th June – Bingo Night/Fish and chips (PTA)
- Friday 26th June - Sports Day - (Year 4,5 & 6) 9.00am – 12.30pm
- Friday 3rd July – Summer Fair
- Wednesday 15th July – Leavers Show 6pm - 7pm

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