



Year 5 and 6 Newsletter -Spring 2026

Values: G.R.E.A.T.

I hope you all had a restful and happy Christmas and are ready for the new term. We see a positive mindset from all of our pupils each day, with a real sense of optimism across the school.

Our Y6s have undertaken their first set of MOCK SATs. We have gone through the tests and identified areas of strengths and developments. We will be conducting our next set of Mock SATs the week beginning Monday 2nd February. We look forward to sharing the pupils' progress at our Parents' Evening on the 9th and 11th March 2026.

So far this year, our year 5 and 6 pupils have been awarded 7304 House Points! A special mention goes to Francesca in Otter Class, Renae in Sting Ray Class and Thomas in Manta Ray on achieving the most amount of House Points. Well done to all the pupils for their hard work and determination.

The Spring term is a little shorter but we still have much to teach and learn. It will really help your child if you could hear them read regularly and support them with their arithmetic skills and spellings. Children should be spending at least 20 minutes on TT Rockstars and Spelling Shed each week.

Mathematics

In year 6, we begin the term teaching the children about Ratio and Proportion. We then move onto: Algebra, (using simple formulae, describing numbers sequences algebraically; Fractions, Decimals and Percentage; Area, Perimeter & Volume and Statistics such as Line Graphs, Pie charts.

In year 5 we begin with Multiplication and Division We begin the term continuing to learn about multiplication and division - including multiplying and dividing increasingly more complex numbers using short methods.

English

This half-term, our English novel is the Kensuke's Kingdom-a wonderfully stirring story of companionship, love, hope and anguish, brilliantly told through the eyes of Michael - the book's brave protagonist.

Our reading work will focus on making inferences, exploring how meaning is enhanced through words and making comparisons within the text.

The children will also continue to develop their understanding of grammar and punctuation.

Topic and Science

In Geography we will be investigating where our energy come from. The children will learn about renewable and non-renewable energy sources and the impacts these have on society, economy and environment.

In Science, we are exploring Animals & habitats. We will look at being able to describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics.

UKS2 timetable

Otter Class PE: Wednesday and Friday

Sting Ray PE: Monday and Friday

Manta Ray PE: Tuesday and Friday

Reminders:

-Reading Books are changed on Monday for Otter and Manta Ray and Friday for Sting Ray

-Reading books must be brought into school every day

-English and maths homework is set each week and is due the following Wednesday

-The weather continues to be cold/wet so it is very important that the children have a coat in school every day.

As part of our learning, we are delighted to be taking our wonderful Year 5 and 6 pupils to visit the Warner Studios - Harry Potter Tour in Watford, London on the 23rd March 2026.

