

Year 6 Newsletter

Summer 2—2025/2026

Reading

This half term, we will continue studying *Safiyyah's War* by Hiba Noor Khan in our Whole Class Reading lessons. Set during World War II, the novel follows a courageous young Muslim girl in Paris who steps into her father's role after his arrest by the Nazis, helping to smuggle hundreds of Jews to safety. The book is written by Hiba Noor Khan, an English author and activist who is known for writing about the lesser-known chapters of history through her powerful storytelling.

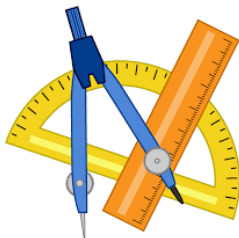
Writing

This term, we will explore how to create powerful, persuasive speeches inspired by Greta Thunberg. This children will examine the impact of word choice, tone and figurative language to shift peoples' opinions and move them to alter their actions along with exploring how these writing tools change depending on the audience of a speech.



Maths

This half term, Year 6 will revisit many of the skills and curriculum content covered both in Year 6 through Math projects. The projects have been designed to explore maths in real life contexts, allowing children to see how important maths is in all aspects of life and provide a great opportunity to explore and develop enterprise.



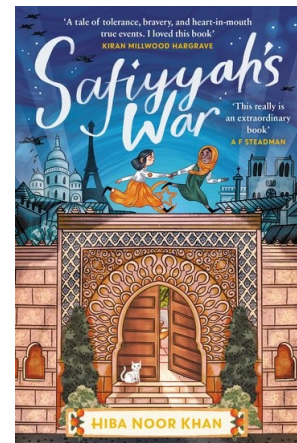
Key Dates

Production

Rehearsal to school - **Wednesday 8th July**
Evening performances - **Monday 13th**
Tuesday 14th July

BBQ (children only) - **Friday 17th July**
Leavers' assembly - **Wed 22nd July**

Whole Class Reading Book



Suggested Books for Reading



RE

Year 6 will explore how for a Sikhs to show commitment to God.

This unit will examine the ways in which Sikhs are committed to their faith by evaluating some key areas already studied and looking in more depth at Sewa (selfless service). The children will reflect on how this impacts of why Sikhs choose to show commitment and this helps build resilience to overcome challenges.



History

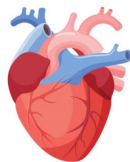
This half term, Year 6 will explore the main causes and effects of the Russian Revolution. To begin, they will learn about Karl Marx, the rule of Tsar Nicholas II and how this created the conditions for the revolution. They will then explore the events that led up to the over throwing of the monarchy and the success of the Bolsheviks. Following this, the children will examine what how life changed for some Russians and the rise of Stalin, drawing links to their previous learning about World War Two.



Science

Through the Living Things unit, Year 6 will explore the similarities and differences among different mammals and microorganisms. They will learn about the work of Carl Linnaeus and how to research and classifying animals and plants using the system he created. Following this, they will explore the work of Louis Pasteur who invented some of the first vaccinations and Kizzmekia Corbett, who helped develop one of the COVID-19 vaccines

The children will also learn about Animals including humans where they will: identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system; describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood; recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function and describe the ways in which nutrients and water are transported in the body.



Computing

Through their Media unit, Year 6 will learn about the different aspects of video. They will explore how to of record a video, experimenting with framing techniques are how to adjust the shots to achieve different impacts on the viewer. They will learn how to plan a video through storyboarding, taking into consideration the purpose of their video. Lastly, they will learn how to edit a video, adding credits and music.



PE

Outdoor -

In our outdoor sessions, Year 6 will be busy preparing for our upcoming Sports Day! The children will be practicing a variety of traditional and team-based sports day games to hone their running, throwing, and jumping techniques.



Indoor

Children will focus on ball chasing, developing fundamental movement skills and apply them to help develop coordination and control with a ball, including sending and receiving skills that are required in a range of games and activities.