



Great Bookham School

The Continual Pursuit of Excellence

Welcome to Year 6

The Year 6 Team:

Falcons

Mrs Wilson

Miss Andrews (SCITT)

Kestrels

Mrs Johnston

Mrs Kendall

A typical day in Year 6

- 07:30: Breakfast club.
- 08:35: The junior playground opens.
- **08:45: Registration**
- English
- 10:25: Assembly
- 10:45: Break. Children can bring a healthy snack (**fresh fruit/vegetables**)
- Maths
- 12:00-13:00: Lunch (**we are a nut-free school**)
- A rotation of “foundation subjects”

Geography/History	Science	RE	PSHE
French	PE	Art/DT	Music
Computing			
- **15:25: Home time.**

Curriculum Highlights

English

Reading and writing genres

Poetry

Play scripts

Newspaper reports

Interviews

Autobiography

Narrative

Grammar and spelling

Science

Electricity

Light

Living things and their
habitats

Animals including
humans

Evolution and inheritance

DT and Art

Fairground ride

Picasso

Monet

William Morris

Sewing

Batik

Anderson Shelter

Baking

Geography

Volcanoes and earthquakes

Settlements

Rainforests

Maths

Properties of numbers

Four operations

Fractions

Problem solving

Properties of shape

Position and direction

Decimals

Measure

Algebra

Ratio

History

Ancient Islamic Civilisation

Victorians

WWII

Year 6 Trips

Natural History Museum - Thursday 19th October

As well as soaking up all that this magnificent museum has to offer, we'll also experience a simulated earthquake and attend the interactive Earthquakes and Volcanoes Workshop. We will be back in time for open afternoon at 3.30pm.

Sky Studios trip – Wednesday 7th February

The children will have the fantastic opportunity to record a newsreel where they will highlight an environmental issue (i.e. deforestation which ties in with our Rainforest topic at the time). They will write a script, record their report and then edit their report. The children will be able to use a green screen, a television camera and editing equipment.

The Vineries Garden centre – spring term, date TBC. As part of our science topic, Classification in Living Things, we walk to the Vineries, where we look at various species of plants and birds, noticing how the plants are grouped. The children are given a short quiz which allows them to independently locate various plants.

Epsom & Ewell and Mole Valley Junior Citizen Event – spring term, date TBC

This event is designed to prepare children for secondary school by providing them with life skills that will enable them to keep themselves and others safe.

PGL Barton Hall – Monday 8th – Friday 12th July

We're delighted to be able to take Year 6 to this popular PGL centre in South Devon. Activities on offer include: water sports lake, heated outdoor swimming pool, raft-building, a day-trip to the seaside and much more. Contact the office regarding a payment plan.



Home Learning

- **Reading** – Please encourage your child to read every day and to record their efforts in their record book. We would be very appreciative of any comments on their reading and will check their records every Friday.
- **Spelling** – We'll give spellings out each Monday which will be stuck into reading records. Please help your child to practise these at home ready for a review in class the following week.
- **Times tables** – Your child should practise times tables regularly, including on TTRS, so that they are fluent. They should have instant recall of all times table facts up to 12x12.
- **Maths** – On Wednesdays, we'll set a 30-minute maths home learning task on LBQ to be completed online by the following Friday.
- **English** – On Mondays, we'll set a 30-minute English home learning task on LBQ to be completed online by the following Wednesday.

If any home learning isn't completed on time, children will have the opportunity to attend a lunchtime homework club.

Other things to note...

PE Kit: Children are expected to have their named PE kit in school **every day**. (PE days – Monday & Tuesday)

Library: Our library day is **Thursday**. Please help your child to remember this so that they can return their book, ready to select a new one.

School Dinners: If you'd like your child to have a school dinner, please pre-select this in advance. Contact the office for details.

Uniform: stud earrings only, hair tied back with small accessories, no make-up or nail varnish, a coat for all weather activities.

Water bottle: Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school **every day**.

Stationery: your child will need a pencil case with a black handwriting pen, pencil, rubber, ruler and a glue stick.

Mobiles: if your child has permission (forms available from the office) to walk to/from school alone, they are allowed to bring a mobile into school. This must be switched off and handed to their class teacher on arrival, and when collected at the end of the day, must remain in a bag/pocket until your child has exited the school gates.

Permission forms for mobiles are available from the office.

Class Charter

- We always try our best in everything we do.
- We're kind – we look after ourselves, our school and each other.
 - We have the courage to try new things.
- We're good listeners and accept that others may have different ideas.
 - We celebrate every success*, no matter how small.



* Star of the Week certificates, house points and headteacher commendations.

How can you support your child at home?

English

Listen to them read regularly and ask questions:

- How do these words make the reader feel?
- What does this paragraph suggest will happen next? What makes you think this?
- What is your impression of this character and why?
- Can you summarise in a sentence the opening/middle/end of the story?
- Can you find 2 adjectives and a verb?
- Sign and comment in their reading record each week.

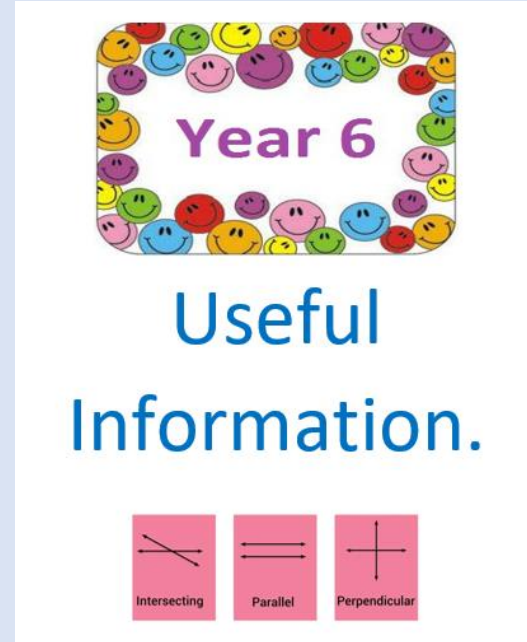
Maths

- Ask them to recite their times tables so they have **instant recall** when you ask a question i.e. $7 \times 8 =$
- Play cards – race to 100 and 21 are great for arithmetic skills.
- Cooking – weighing, measuring and estimating.
- Telling the time on an analogue clock.
- Mental maths.
- Encouraging use of TTRS and LBQ for their homework.

How can you support your child at home?

Your Year 6 Useful Information Booklet contains:

- Time tables and other key maths measurement facts
- Year 5/6 spelling list
- Glossary of terms for English
- Helpful writing hints
- Recommended reading list



Nearer to SATs, you will be given the opportunity to buy a range of discounted, practice books for maths and English.

Is your child in year 6?

If so, you need to apply online for a secondary school place by **31 October 2022**. Applying on time gives you a better chance of getting one of your preferred schools.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or you can call us on **0300 200 1004**.

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Thank you for listening.
Any questions?