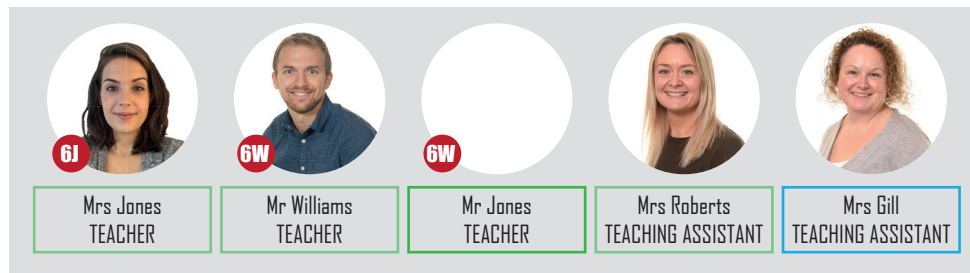


YEAR SIX

 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2026



This is a very significant term for year 6, which includes lots of exciting and important events. The dates for some of these are included, but please check the bulletin and website for other events or changes. More information will follow about most of these.

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| Monday 11 May - Thursday 14 May | National Curriculum Assessments (SATs). Attendance during this week is paramount. |
| Monday 18 May | PGL information session for parents - children welcome too. |
| Thursday 21 May | Y5/Y6 Sports Day |
| Monday 29 June - Friday 3 July | Secondary transitions usually happen this week. These are communicated to you directly by the secondary schools. |
| Monday 29 June & Tuesday 30 June | Y6 performance nights - all children must attend both nights |
| Monday 6 July - Friday 10 July | PGL Week |
| Friday 17 July, 10am | Leavers' Assembly |

TRANSITION MEETINGS WITH SECONDARY SCHOOLS

When and how transitions take place is determined by each secondary school, but children's transitions to secondary will normally include visiting the school on a transition day or few days. In addition, for some schools where they have high pupil intake from Warden Hill, the school may also visit us here to talk to the children who are attending their secondary. Staff complete transition documents for all pupils and liaise directly with secondary colleagues where there is specific or personal information to relay to the secondary school.

NATIONAL STATUTORY ATTAINMENT TESTS (SATS)

SATs week will take place in the week beginning the 11th May. The days where assessments take place is mandated by the government as follows:

Monday 11th - Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling.

Tuesday 12th - Reading

Wednesday 13th - Maths Arithmetic (1) and Reasoning (2)

Thursday 14th - Maths Reasoning (3)

PGL RESIDENTIAL

The residential at Barton Hall takes place Monday July 6th – Friday July 10th. Further information to follow at information evening on Monday 18th May 2026 at 17:00.

YEAR 6 PERFORMANCES

The two performances of our year 6 productions will take place on Monday 29th June and Tuesday 30th June 2026.

More information will follow in the summer term about costumes, tickets and all the other details!

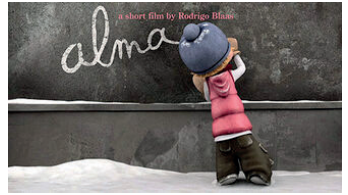
LEAVERS' ASSEMBLY

Parents are invited to join us for our leavers' assembly which will take place in the hall at 10:00am on the final day of term - Friday 17th July 2025.

Please note there is only space in the hall for 2 adults per year 6 child.

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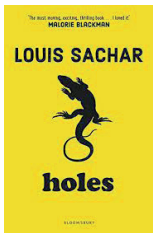
We will be using lots of fantastic stimuli to generate writing in our English units this term, including a narrative inspired by a single opening line, the video stimulus Alma, creating an information text on the circulatory system and writing reflectively upon our time at Warden Hill, too. We will also be presenting the children with opportunities to write independently, linked to previous themes, as well as an abundance speaking and listening opportunities through the coveted school production.



CLASS READ NOVELS

We have now read the following novels this year:

- Show Us Who You Are – Elle McNicoll
- Resist – Tom Palmer
- The Middler – Kirsty Applebaum
- The Infinite Lives of Maisie Day – Christopher Edge
- The Savage – David Almond
- The Island at the End of Everything – Kiran Millwood Hargrave
- When Life Gives You Mangoes – Kereen Getten



Our final two class reads will be 'Holes' by Louis Sachar and the free verse poetry novel 'The Final Year' by Matt Goodfellow, a poet we have studied in poetry week.

WHOLE CLASS READING

We will be continuing to explore a range of texts throughout our whole class guided reading sessions.

Poetry texts will include 'Sonnet 18' by William Shakespeare and we will continue to read non-fiction too.

MATHS

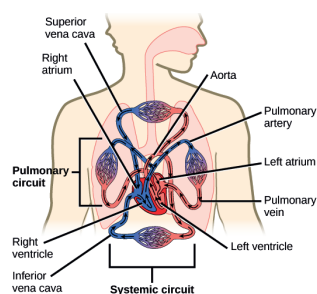
Having concluded our new curriculum content for year 6, this term we will also be revisiting units covered across the year which, based on assessments, children are less confident in. After May half term, we will be continuing to assess where the focus should

be in our maths teaching, in order to best prepare the children for their secondary transitions using the 'Moving On Up' units of our CanDoMaths curriculum.

HOMEWORK

Howework will continue to be set primarily using LbQ with some homework being sent home in paper form.

The children need to read at least four times a week, recording this in their pink reading journal.



SCIENCE

Over the next 2 terms, we will be completing 'Animals including humans' unit which includes understanding the circulatory system and how it links to the respiratory system.

COMPUTING

In our computing topic for the summer term 'We are advertisers' we will be creating green screen videos to promote our end of year 6 play. We will also be looking back into coding in 'We are AI Developers'.

DT

In DT we will be continuing our cooking unit. The children have already tasted products and will now be designing and making their own curries which will cater for both dietary requirements and preferences.

MUSIC

As we reach the end of the year, our music focus will head towards our end of year 6 performance. We will be working with the Y6 children to put this together, incorporating a number of elements of our music curriculum.

ART

We will be exploring the work of Nicholas Roerich and creating our own mountain landscapes which links to our Geography unit.



RE

We will be finishing our unit on Islam and considering how Muslims decide on what is right and wrong. We will also consider how someone's worldview affect how they view and treat the natural world.

GAMES AND PE

Our sessions for summer 1 will be yoga and athletics – which will also prepare us for our sports week which falls at the end of summer 1. In summer 2, we will have both tennis and handball.

GEOGRAPHY

Our final unit for the year focuses on how mountains are formed and how they are used by those who visit them.