

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter



Summer Term 2 2024-2025



Lion & Gorilla Class

The Final Stretch

Welcome back, Year 6! We hope you had an excellent half-term break and that you had the opportunity to have a thoroughly well-deserved rest! As we embark on the final half-term of Year 6, we are filled with excitement and a touch of nostalgia. This is a special time for our children, marking their last weeks at Wellington and we aim to make it truly memorable. Ahead lies the much-anticipated residential trip and our leavers celebrations. Academically, our focus returns to exploring the dramatic world of Macbeth and delving into the rich history of the early Islamic civilisation. We look forward to a wonderful half-term filled with learning, laughter and lasting memories.



School Timings

Just a quick reminder that the school gate opens at **8:35am**, the classroom doors open at **8:40am** and school finishes at **3:15pm**. If you arrive **after 8:50am**, please take your child to the school office first - thank you.

Physical Education and Games

This half-term, our PE sessions will take place on **Tuesday** and **Friday** afternoons. P.E kits should be brought in to school on a **Monday** and will be sent home on **Friday** to be washed. In hopes for continued better weather, children can now wear shorts for our outdoor PE sessions but may still want to bring in tracksuit bottoms (just in case!). Appropriate footwear is essential. Please make sure children do not wear jewellery to school on these days and that they have a hair band/bobble to tie their hair back, for health and safety purposes.



Home Learning

We have reviewed our homework provision across the Federation. Whilst homework can be an important tool in helping children with their learning, we realise that it needs to be purposeful and engaging. Therefore, we have made revisions to the homework that will be set going forward.

Reading: 3x weekly (minimum) - recorded in reading diaries (see below for more details).

Spellings: learn 5 spelling words. These will be set by the teacher on Mondays and weekly tests on Fridays to check and address gaps.

Maths: TimesTable Rockstars - 'little and often' throughout the week (roughly 10 minutes per day), aim for an hour over the week. This half-term, we will also be sending home small pieces of maths revision for children to complete at home.

We thank you for your support with this.

Reading

Regular reading will support your child in all areas of their learning. In Year 6, we want to inspire a love and enjoyment of reading. Their book should encourage them to ask questions, wonder and express opinions as well as expanding their vocabulary and knowledge. Children must be reading **at least three** times a week for **20 minutes**, which needs to be recorded in their reading record alongside an adult comment or signature. Reading records will be collected **every Friday** to check if they are able to move up our reading challenge wall. Well done to those children who have continued to move up on our class reading challenges - keep it up!



Online Safety

A reminder that children should be supervised when using the internet. There are filters available and child-friendly search engines such as 'Google Kids'. Children are not permitted to use social media such as Facebook, Instagram or TikTok until they are aged 13+.

<https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/understanding-age-ratings>



Year 6 Production



This year, our Year 6 end of year production will be **The Wizard of Oz!** We are really excited to get rehearsing for this, as well as creating the set! We are sure the children will make it spectacular and one to remember. More information will follow regarding show times, dates and tickets.



Diary Dates

Summer term

Event	Date
Victoria Day Parade	Saturday 7 th June 2025
Year 6 Virtual Road Safety Workshop 2.00-3.00pm	Wednesday 11 th June 2025
Year 6 Residential at Marchant's Hill	Sunday 15 th June - Wednesday 18 th June 2025
Year 6 Healthy Relationships Week	Week beginning Monday 23 rd June
KS2 Sports Day	Friday 20 th June 2025
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 10.00-11.30am	Thursday 17 th July 2025
Year 6 Leavers' Celebration 5.30-7.00pm	Thursday 17 th July 2025
Last day of academic year	Friday 18 th July 2025
Inset day	Monday 21 st July
Inset day	Tuesday 22 nd July

As always, your continued support is very much appreciated. If you do wish to discuss anything with us, please do contact the school office or arrange a meeting after school.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Osborne
Lion Class Teacher

Miss Tugwell
Gorilla Class Teacher



Weekly Timetable

	8:40 - 8:55	8:55-9:40	9:40-10:30	10:30-10:45	10:45 - 11:00	11:00-12:00	12:00 - 12:15	12:15-13:05	13:05-14:00	14:00-14.55	14:55 -15:10
Monday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English	Break	Mental fluency	Maths	Spelling	Lunch	History		KS2 Assembly
Tuesday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths	Spelling		PE	Science	Faith Assembly
Wednesday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths	Handwriting		DT/Art		Class Assembly
Thursday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths	Handwriting		RE	Spanish	KS2 Singing Assembly
Friday	Early morning work	Reading Journey	English		Mental fluency	Maths	Spelling test		PSHE	PE	Celebration Assembly

Computing will be taught in a block in the afternoons over the course of one week.

Subject	Year 6 Summer 2
Topic	Great Minds
English	Russian Dolls (poetry) Macbeth Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk (non-fiction story)
Reading Journey	<u>Key texts:</u> Fiction Novel: Crater Lake
Maths	Please see the medium-term plan.
Science	The Human Body (circulation)
Spanish	Yo en el mundo (me in the world)
History/ Geography	History: Ancient Islamic Civilisations Geography: Earthquakes: Oceania
PSHE	Healthy Relationships Transition
DT	Healthy Living - Pizza
Art	Sculpture: Rasheed Araeen - modular art
Religious Education	Islam: Moral Code
Computing	Data and Information - Introduction to Spreadsheets
Physical Education	Tennis Cricket
Music	Production

