



THE ROBERT DRAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

UPPER KEY STAGE 2 (YEARS 5 AND 6) NEWSLETTER SUMMER TERM 2023

A warm welcome back to the summer term (at least we hope it will be warm!). We trust that you and your families had an enjoyable Easter break.

CURRICULUM COVERAGE

The children in Years 5 and 6 classes will follow the National Curriculum for English and mathematics, as follows:

Week Commencing	English Yr 5 & 6	Mathematics Yr 6	Mathematics for all Yr 5
17 th April	Grammar Revision Character Study Linked to Romeo and Juliet Comprehension	Fractions Consolidation Arithmetic Practice SATs Questions	Place Value and Rounding
24 th April	Subjunctive Mood Formal Speech Linked to Romeo and Juliet Comprehension	Angles and Shape Consolidation Arithmetic Practice SATs Questions	Negative Numbers
1 st May	Grammar Revision Comprehension	General Maths Revision Arithmetic Practise SATs Questions	Subtraction and Multiplication
8 th May	SATs Week Newspapers	SATs Week	Assessment Week
15 th May	Newspapers	Maths Exemplification Questions	Improper Fractions and Mixed Numbers
Half term			
5 th June	Persuasive Texts Comprehension	Maths Investigations	Decimals and Percentages
12 th June	Writing for a Specific Audience Comprehension	Creating Maths Trails for a Target Audience	Area and Perimeter
19 th June	Debates Comprehension	Shape Investigations: Tangrams, Pentominoes & Hexiamonds	Volume, Co-ordinates and Translations
26 th June	Balanced Argument Comprehension	Shape Investigations: Tangrams, Pentominoes & Hexiamonds	Translations and Reflections
3 rd July	Longer Narrative Comprehension	Themed Problem Solving	Measures, Roman Numerals and Time
10 th July	Poetry Comprehension	Themed Problem Solving	Word Problem Revision
17 th July	End of Year Activities		

In science, the children will be using projects to develop their investigative skills and understanding of science across a range of topics, specifically the changing states of materials, and reversible and irreversible changes.

The changing role of monarchs, parliament and The British Empire will be studied in history, focusing on King John, Queen Anne and Queen Victoria. The children will also learn about Magna Carta and its

effects. In geography, Fair Trade will be studied and the children will be considering whether it is really fair. They will learn about the importing and exporting of goods; where food is grown and produced and the air miles that it travels. They will be introduced to Fair Trade farmers and will be able to listen to their stories and the impact that Fair Trade has had on their lives.

King Charles III's Coronation will be presented through the use of textiles in art, whilst pilgrimages and Humanism will be the RE topics for rest of the year. Managing wellbeing, screen time, bereavement and effective transitions and growing independence will be the focus for PSHE. In languages, the topic will be food and drink. Children will be revising familiar vocabulary, as well as learning new language linked to the topic. At the end of the unit, the children will be writing short conversations that could be used in restaurants, Berthe will be making another appearance but this time she has visited the café.

In addition, the children will undertake practice SATs papers to familiarise them with the tests.

SPORTS DAY

We are planning to have Sports Day this year which will be held on Thursday 29th June (weather permitting). Details to follow.

YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAYS

Children in Year 6 will have two 'Welcome Days' in their secondary schools this term. For those who will be attending King John, Appleton or The Deanes Schools, this will be on 27th and 28th June. There will be separate days for the grammar schools, dates to be advised. Please note that parents are responsible for getting their child to the secondary school on these days. Dates for other schools are yet to be advised.

YEAR 5

This year, all the Year 5 children will be performing their assembly on Tuesday 20th June at 9:00am so please make a note in your diary!

Currently, the Year 5 trip is being finalised. Details will follow shortly.

July 17th is the date of the Year 5 disco this year. Time to be confirmed but it will be separate to the Year 6 leaver's disco.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

We are very pleased to confirm that there will be a leavers assembly on the last day of term in the morning. There will also be the leaver's disco and shirt signing. Further details nearer the time.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Rawling
Mr Smith
Mrs Malyan
Mrs Herbert