

Kingfishers' Spring Newsletter 2026

During this term, our focus is on preparing for the end of Key Stage Two SATs tests, which will begin on Monday 11th May. Our morning booster sessions, which run on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, will begin in the week of 19th January. These sessions provide an opportunity for the children to revise learning from class and to focus on specific areas of the tests.

In maths, we will be learning about ratio, algebra, percentages and decimals, as well as measurement and statistics.

In reading, our text of the term is *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio. This is a fantastic text with some challenging themes that will allow for excellent discussion and learning.

Our term starts by thinking about winter and writing a setting description. We will then use the text *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* to inspire a range of writing, including a diary and a formal letter.

Our science topic this term is the circulatory and respiratory systems. In this topic, children will investigate the effects of exercise on the heart, as well as the need for a healthy diet and lifestyle.



P.E

Our P.E. day this term is on Monday. On this day, children should come to school wearing their P.E. kit, which should be suitable for both indoor and outdoor lessons. P.E. kits should consist of a white t-shirt, black shorts, leggings or joggers and trainers. If your child does not have the correct P.E. kit, please speak to their class teacher or Miss Gamwell.

Swimming will continue on Fridays. Swimming is a compulsory lesson in the Primary National Curriculum and an essential life skill; therefore, children must attend weekly swimming lessons. Lessons will continue to run for the duration of the Spring term.

Homework

Your child will receive spellings, grammar and maths homework every **Friday**. They will also need to take home and return their reading book daily. Our weekly spelling test will be carried out on a **Friday**. Every week, there are games on Spelling Shed (accessed via MyLogin) available for them to rehearse the week's spelling rule. The homework sheets provided will give them an additional opportunity to practise what they have been learning and support them in preparation for their SATs tests.

Spring Term Focus

Our focus this term is handwriting, presentation and times tables.

Each week a child is chosen from each class to receive the handwriting and presentation award. There will also be opportunities for children to gain their pen licence!

Children can log on to TT Rockstars to practise their times tables. We are able to keep track of their progress through the teacher portal.

We are very impressed with how much effort year six are putting in so far this year and are looking forward to the term ahead.

Reminders

- Please ensure that your child arrives at school promptly at 8:45am.
- Please send your child with a water bottle every day.
- If your child wears glasses, please ensure that they are in school every day.
- Please ensure that your child has a coat in school every day.
- Please ensure PE kits are in school on a Monday.
- If your child has an inhaler, this needs to be in school every day.
- If your child has a snack at playtimes, this needs to be healthy (toast, fruit, cereal bars).

Any Concerns

If there is anything you would like to discuss with us, please feel free to come and speak to any member of staff working in year six.

Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Griffiths, Mr Brazier and the year six team.