



BISHOPSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Year 6 Summer 1 Term

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to congratulate all the Year 6 pupils for their hard work so far this year. They have shown great resilience, and they can all acknowledge the progress they are making. We are particularly impressed with how well the children are organising themselves with their revision homework – what great preparation for secondary school!

SATs

Year 6 classrooms will be open from **8:10 am during SATs week** on **Monday 11th May to Thursday 14th May** to enable children to have time to come in, settle down and feel calm.

Monday 11 th	Tuesday 12 th	Wednesday 13 th	Thursday 14 th
Grammar and Punctuation Test	Reading Test	Maths Arithmetic Paper	Maths Reasoning Paper 3
B R E A K			
Spelling Test		Maths Reasoning Paper 2	

On the Friday afternoon of 15th May, we will hold a SATs after-party for the children to celebrate all their hard work. We are looking forward to this. We would be very grateful if you send in donated snacks to share that afternoon (crisps, biscuits, cakes etc – no fizzy drinks or sweets, thank you). Any leftovers will be kept for the end of year bbq.

Homework

Once revision homework is finished in the week before SATs, there will be no homework until we start our final project homework in the last half term.

After SATs

After SATs week, we will start our rocket project and the children will find out what our school play is going to be. In that week, will hand out audition scripts for the following week. For the rocket project, we would hugely appreciate collections of empty 2 litres plastic drink bottles such as Pepsi or lemonade. Children can start brining these into school as soon as possible.

There are many more exciting things to look forward to this summer term, including our end of year trip to Paulton's Park.

We are starting our new topic for the summer term with a science focus: Why do we care what's 'out there'? For this topic, we will focus on space and its wonders!

Important Dates...

Monday 27th to Thursday 30th April	Mock SATs – a run through of logistics so children are aware how it will work on the day
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May	SATs week
TBC	Paulton's Park Trip

Yours faithfully,
The Year 6 Team

At Bishopswood, we offer a rich and diverse curriculum that engages all children. Enriched activities that motivate children, enhancing their life opportunities is something that is very important to us.

Year 6	SATS SPACE – Why do we care what’s ‘out there’?
Subject	Areas Covered
Learning Enrichment	- Rocket making w/c 18 th May 2026
Reading:	- SATs revision test practice, including fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts, focusing on a range of key reading skills – including retrieval, inference, text structure and author’s choice of language.
Writing:	- Macbeth – journal entry – figurative language and dashes - Charlie and the Chocolate – narrative - dialogue to advanced action - Spelling rules and learning Year 5/6 spellings (national curriculum) - Grammar focus for SATS – revising key grammatical terms and being able to apply them
Mathematics	Revision - Revision of the four operations - Revision of comparing fractions and adding and subtracting fractions - Revision of angles - Revision of shape and co-ordinates - Revision of ratio and proportion - Revision of time problems - Revision of Roman numerals As well as revising the key knowledge and facts of each of the topics, we will be practising applying this knowledge to non-routine problems in preparation for the reasoning papers.
Design Technology	Design and build a rocket to launch - Linked to science – design a rocket in teams based on knowledge learned about forces. The design should keep an ‘astronaut’ passenger safe when launched into space!
Art	Chalk Art - Control of shading to show light and dark - Different techniques to create effects - Influence of colour on a black background
Computing	Space Invaders - Scratch programming: coding
Science	Earth and Space - What is time? Studying Earth’s rotation - Why has Earth thrived whilst the others have faded away? Studying movement of planets - Can we live on the moon? Learning about the moon’s movement Forces in motion and chemical reactions - Rocket building and constructing - Rocket launch
Physical Education	Rounders - Practise key skills: particularly batting, catching and bowling - Learn the basic rules of the game and develop sportsmanship
Spanish	Space - Learn the names of the planets in Spanish and be able to describe their position in relation to the sun
My Happy Mind	Relate - Understand why positive relationships matter and how to build them. We are focussed on the building blocks of good relationships and friendships. Engage - Understand how to set meaningful goals that matter and how to keep resilient in times of challenge. This module is all about building self-esteem and resilience too.