

How to Help at Home



Support at home is **invaluable** to your child's progress and much appreciated.

Items to have in school:

- P.E kits – To be worn to school all day on a **Monday only** for our PE lesson. Swimming kit— Needed **every Thursday** until further notice.
- Water bottles should be in school daily and are ideally to be named. They must be taken home to be washed each night.
- Discuss with an adult, before arriving to school, how they are getting home (especially if they are walking home independently or are attending an after school club).

Homework expectations:

- Reading Book—Reading three times a week for twenty minutes a week—please see the guidance in the front of your child's diary. **School reading book and diary should be brought to school everyday.** Reading Plus—Four lessons a week—please see Miss Parkin's video for more information on our school website.
- Number Facts and Spellings —these are sent home weekly and will be quizzed every Monday. Please find them in your child's diary.
- Times Table Rock Stars—we advise that your child goes on for short bursts every week.
- Weekly Maths and English homework— Due every Friday.

Dates for the Diary



Date	Event	Date	Event
Monday 9— Thursday 12 May	SATs . Daily breakfast at 8:30am	Friday 27 May	Break up for half term
Friday 13 May	Eden Camp War Museum Visit	Monday 7 June	School closed for staff training
Monday 16 May	Y6 Computing Day	Tuesday 8 June	Return to school
Wednesday 18 May	National Numeracy Day	Tuesday 8—10 June	Jubilee Arts Week in school
Monday 23 May	Y6 E-Safety Training Day	Friday 1 July	School closed
Wednesday 18 / Friday 20 May	Y6 Library Visit—Dunston	Monday 11 or Wednesday 13 July	Y6 local Bike Ride
		8 July	Reports to parents
		Friday 22 July	Break up for Summer

Any further dates e.g End of Year Celebrations will be shared with you as soon as they are confirmed.

We regularly use Facebook, text and email to update and remind parents of events.

Please ensure that the office have your current mobile and email address

Curriculum Overview



SUMMER TERM 2022



YEAR 6



Dunston Hill
Community Primary School

Ready



Respect



Kind



Welcome



Welcome to the final term of Year 6. A term which will be filled with hard-work, fun and creating those lasting memories before 6P and 6R leave Dunston Hill Primary School happy and proud.

We are really looking forward to working with you all this term—Miss Parkin, Miss Reay and Mrs Moorhead.

English Overview



This term, we will develop our range of writing further we a focus on writing structured pieces, from a range of genres which allow us to exercise our writing skills. We will plan, draft and write the following:

An informal diary writing to depict the D-Day landings of 1944.

A CSI report on what really happened the day the wolf visited the 'Three Little Pigs'.

A balanced argument into the use of mobile phones in school.

A narrative based with a steam-punk genre.

And much, much more including our half termly Author Sessions.

Our SPaG skills will be continuously embedded into our writing as well as being discretely taught as necessary. We will have a particular focus on: cohesion within our writing and using a range of clauses effectively including when to split them with the correct punctuation.

Guided Reading will see us read Lara William's " A Boy Called Hope" where we will revise all our reading skills which we have learnt over the year as well as debate topics the book shares.

Maths Overview



During our final term, we will continue to develop our mental recall and Arithmetic skills hence learning and applying weekly number facts will remain a focus.

TTRS and weekly battles will also continue to be set.

With regard to the maths curriculum, the mastery approach to maths will include a variety of consolidation and themed projects as we prepare our children for Y7. This will include:

- Understanding how to run a successful bakery—considering profit and loss, packaging and potential cooking problems
- Organising and planning a holiday—considering prices, budget, suitable accommodation and even time difference
- Gaining an understanding of financial responsibilities such as salary, mortgage, bills and house repairs.

Science Overview



This term, we are learning about light and how we can prove it travels in straight lines. We will also investigate the size and shape of shadows as well as appreciate how important the eye is enabling us to see. Following this, our next topic will be living things and their habitats. We will classify animals and plants based upon specific characteristics as well as identify similarities and differences between micro-organisms, animals and plants.

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R.E/PSHE: Our RE lessons will see us developing our understanding of Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr. PSHE shall see us focus on rights and responsibilities including: behaviour, laws, diversity and customs.

History /Geography : To complete our study of WW2 we will be visiting the Eden Camp War Museum in Yorkshire on Friday 13th May. We will also (in school) be taking part in the Kenton Bunker War Challenge with artefacts from the Discovery Museum. This will allow us to develop our knowledge of the Battle of Britain further. After this, we will be completing a combined History and Geography unit " Dunston Born and Bred" which will allow us to look at our changing local area, take part in multiple areas of field work and develop our map reading skills.

Art / Music / DT: Banksy will be our artist of focus this term. We will explore his motives and consequent styles of art before creating our own portfolio of pieces. Music will see us get in touch with our local heritage as we learn to sing songs such as: Blaydon Races, Cushy Butterfield and Waters of Tyne. We will also develop our musical notation in order to play Blaydon Races on our glockenspiels. DT will link to our Dunston Born and Bred topic as we explore the bridges over the River Tyne and The Dunston Rocket before creating our own weight bearing structures.

Computing: Our Computing curriculum will focus on our health, wellbeing and lifestyle while learning how apps and online games are designed to appeal to us. We will also design and create an app prototype as well as using email as a for of communication and investigate different methods of internet-based communication.

MFL: We will consolidate following simple classroom commands as well as talk about our family, how we are feeling and describing the weather.

PE: We are excited for a summer of sport! Our children will be learning tennis skills and application to a game and then a range of disciplines from both track and field in athletics. We have many sporting events this term including: 16th May Greggs Cancer Run (organised outside of school), Saltwell Park Fun Run, Cricket and Athletic competitions.

Homework



Our priority is always to work collaboratively with parents and carers to secure children's knowledge and application of basic skills in reading, writing and maths. For this reason, our homework expectations are outlined on the next page and we ask you to support us with the following in consolidating our children's basic skills.