



Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week! We kicked it off with a fantastic day as Ancient Greeks. The children got to get into battle formation, learnt about Greek theatre, played Greek strategy games and had a go at some Olympic sports. We have continued learning about ratio and proportion in maths, reading Percy Jackson and planning some persuasive arguments. **We have encouraged the children to do some research on their chosen topic at home in preparation for this.**

Have a great weekend,

Miss Maloney and Miss Kelly

Important messages

Prayer Bag

Here in the St Polycarp's family, we follow in the footsteps of Jesus through playing, praying, loving and learning together.

To support us in continuing to live out our mission, your child will have the opportunity to bring home our class *prayer bag*. It includes simple, age-appropriate resources to help you pray together as a family. The prayer bag will be brought home by a different child in the class each week.

You'll also find a prayer diary where you and your child can write any thoughts, prayers or intentions if you wish. The prayer bags will be sent home on a Friday and returned the following Friday.

The prayer bag is a wonderful way of linking the prayer life of our school and home by encouraging the children to practise and lead their own prayer sessions with their families and share their spiritual experience. We hope this shared experience brings moments of peace, connection and joy to your home.

RSE

As part of our spring term PSHE lessons, Year 6 will be continuing to cover the Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) curriculum next week (w/c 19.1.26).

This follows on from the RSE meeting held last term, where we shared the approach and content for these lessons. To help you review what will be covered, the PowerPoint and resources are available on the Year 6 page of the school website, under **Information for Parents**.

Accelerated Reader

When the children finish reading a book, they need to complete an online quiz at home before changing the book.

Children should aim to complete as many quizzes as they can, but are expected to complete at least 3 quizzes per half-term.

Important Dates

Friday 30th January – Film Night

Homework

SATS Buster

This week the children should complete **Set 1 Test B** of the **Reading SATS Buster Book**.

Maths.co.uk

Maths homework will reflect the learning that is done in class during each unit. It is set every Friday on Maths.co.uk. Logins have been sent home.

Spelling

Spellings are set every Friday with a spelling quiz the following Friday, giving children one week to learn them.

Weekly spelling quizzes will include 6 spellings from the current week's list, 2 from the previous week and 2 from an earlier quiz within your child's year group.

Reading

Please see below for the Key Stage 2 reading guidance. When the children finish reading a book, they need to complete an online quiz at home before changing the book.

Children should aim to complete as many quizzes as they can, but are expected to complete at least 3 quizzes per half-term.

[Find the link to AR here.](#)

Times Table Rockstars

As a guideline, **children should aim to practise their times tables as much as possible, preferably daily.** Please encourage the children to practise those times tables which they are less secure with.

Reading in Key Stage 2

Handy Hints

- Make reading part of your daily routine.
- Short sessions – **15 minutes per day.**
- Continue to read out loud to an adult as well as independently.
- Try to read a range of books including fiction and non-fiction.
- Complete the Accelerated Reader quiz at home, ideally within 24-48 hours of finishing the book.



How can parents help?

Reading improves with practice.

Encourage your child to read at home, share your own books, discuss books, ask questions about the book they have read and visit the local library.

Check that your child is completing the reading quiz – this is part of their weekly homework.