



Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have learned all about inheritance in Science, looked at the importance of Greek gods to the Ancient Greeks in History and carried on learning about Jesus' miracles as told by John in RE. In Maths, we have revised decimals and in English, we have begun planning our persuasive speeches after researching a topic we are passionate about! The children absolutely loved putting together their vision boards; we hope that these serve a happy and motivating reminder of their dreams and goals for the year.

Monday 20th January 2025 we will be having our Ancient Greek day and the children are invited to come into school in Ancient Greek costumes.

Mrs Peneda & Miss Maloney

RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) On Thursday 27th February 2025, at 2:45pm, we will be holding an optional Year 6 parent meeting (in Kites' classroom) to discuss and answer any questions about our new RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) curriculum.

As a school, we will be teaching from Ten:Ten, a diocese-approved scheme. Before the meeting, we recommend you watch the video on the Online Parent Portal to familiarise yourself with the curriculum's aims and methods of teaching. If, after watching the video, you have further questions, please bring them to the meeting or contact us via the school office.

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Password	<input type="text" value="Tenten2024!"/>
Parent Portal	https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/
Parent Consultation Tool	https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-consultation-tool-primary/

Important dates:

Monday 20th January – Internal clubs start again

Monday 20th January – Ancient Greek Day

Friday 7th February – PTA movie night

Thursday 27th February 14:45 – Year 6 Parent RSE Meeting

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) – calling all parents who work in these fields. We would love to hear about your work and experiences and hopefully encourage the children to follow in similar footsteps. Please let us know if you would be happy to pop into school sometime to support the enrichment of the children's learning.

Homework:

WEEKLY HOMEWORK

KS2 SATs Busters:

Set B Test 2 of Reading, Grammar Punctuation and Spelling and Maths.

Mathletics

Maths homework will reflect the learning that is done in class during the week. It is set every Friday on Mathletics.

Spelling

Spellings are set every Friday with a spelling test the following Friday giving children one week to learn them. This week's spelling rule is words with the long vowel sound spelled 'y'.

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. (Your child should have received a card with all of their homework passwords on). **Children should aim to complete as many quizzes as they can, but are expected to complete at least 2 quizzes per half-term.**

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

Times Table Rockstars

Children are to practise their times tables on TTRS for 15 minutes a day, 5 days a week.

There are weekly challenges to engage the children. Focus on those times tables your child needs to improve their speed and fluency on and select these in 'Garage'. Play 'Studio' to help St. Polycarp's climb up the local schools' leaderboard!

Spanish (optional)

If any children would like to practice or learn any new spanish words, below is the login for Linguascope:

<https://www.linguascope.com>

Username is: stpoly

Password is : casaclub1

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?

Spelling Shed 

Words with the long vowel sound /igh/ spelled 'y'

apply

hyphen

python

rhyme

hygiene

occupy

multiply

identify

recycle

supply



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.