

UPPER KEY STAGE 2 CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER
SUMMER TERM 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

After a fantastic Spring term, we are glad to have all of the children back in school for our third and final term of this academic year. Our topics for this term are 'Holes' and 'Back To The Future'. In 'Holes', we will use the book by Louis Sachar as our topic driver and will explore the setting of North America in great detail. We will also look at river systems and how they shape the landscape around them. In 'Back To The Future' we will be looking at different events in history. More details about these topics are available to view in our curriculum maps, which will be can be downloaded from our school website here: [Home>> Curriculum>> Shine Curriculum>> KS1](#)

As well as the fantastic topic-related activities we have planned this term, we also have some very important events happening. We would like to take this time to inform you about a few of these things so you can and the children can prepare:

Year 6: Residential to Hilltop

This trip is getting closer and closer and we are very excited to take the Year 6 children away. **Please make sure that all remaining balances are paid in full as soon as possible.** We expect it to be an extremely exciting few days away for the Year 6 pupils.

The dates of the trip are **Monday 9th June - Friday 13th June**

Those children not attending this trip will be expected to attend school on these dates at normal times. Further information about the exciting activities we will also be providing for them will be available closer to the time.

Year 6: SATs Week

Another very important event in the school diary for the Year 6 children are the national SATs assessments. **These will take place over 4 days starting on Monday 12th May as follows:**

Monday 12 th May	Tuesday 13 th May	Wednesday 14 th May	Thursday 15 th May
English grammar, punctuation and spelling test Paper 1: short answer questions (45 mins) Paper 2: spelling (15 mins)	English reading test Paper 1: Reading comprehension (60 mins)	Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic (30 mins) Paper 2: reasoning (40 mins)	Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning (40 mins)

Please try to keep the weekend of the 10th/11th May as relaxing for the Year 6 children as possible. We are always determined to make this period as stress free and as relaxing as we can for them so we will once again be running a breakfast club every morning of the SATs assessments (Mon-Thu) between 8.00-8.30am. **Please note: The breakfast club is for Year 6 children only.** I would strongly encourage everyone to come along and relax and socialise with their Year 6 friends over toast, milk or squash before school.

Year 5/6 Production, Year 6 Transition Day, Leaver's Service and Leaver's Assembly

Towards the end of the final term there are some other important events for our Year 5/6 pupils, please take time to put these dates in your diary.

- Year 6 Transition Day at the Plume: Wednesday 25th June
- Year 5/6 Production: Thursday 10th July (9:15am & 7:00pm)
- Year 6 Leavers' Party: Friday 11th July
- Year 6 Leavers' Service at All Saints' Church: Wednesday 16th July
- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly and last day of term: Friday 18th July

PE Kits

PE is part of the National Curriculum. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school at all times as we do not have spare kit. Each child will need: a plain white T shirt, burgundy shorts and trainers. They may also still prefer to wear a tracksuit (or something similar that is warm and practical) for outdoor PE on colder days. Please remember that children wearing earrings on a PE day will be required to take them out before taking part. If they are not able to do this themselves, please do this at home the morning of their PE lesson.

Walking Home

If your child is now permitted to walk home regularly on their own (either to a designated meeting point, or home address), please inform the school in writing by email to either year56@allsaintsprimaryschoolmaldon.co.uk or admin@allsaintsprimaryschoolmaldon.co.uk. **If you plan to collect your child after school., with the exception of those who attend after school clubs, children should be collected promptly at the end of the day from their classroom door at 3.15pm. For those attending after school clubs collection time is 4.15pm.** We kindly ask that you collect your children promptly.

Mobile Phones

Whilst we understand and support the fact that some children in Year 5/6 bring a mobile phone to school, we would however like to remind the children that this does not apply to everyone. We do in fact encourage them where possible, to leave their phone at home. If your child has a valid reason for bringing their mobile phone into school, there is a mobile phone box in each year 5/6 classroom that your child must deposit their phone into at the start of the school day. This box is kept in the office for safekeeping throughout the day. **Children do not have access to their phone at any point of the school day.** Any communication from home should come through the school office.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding any of the above, please feel free to discuss them with any of our team.

Kind regards,

The UKS2 Team

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