

# HELPING YOUR CHILD IN YEAR 6

Autumn 2026

## English

During this term, much of our creative writing will be based on our class text: Wolf Brother. We will be writing and studying various text types, such as; non chronological reports, monologues and descriptive writing. Daily whole class reading sessions will enable children to develop their inference skills as well as enjoy reading for pleasure with a wide range of high quality fiction and non-fiction texts.

Pupils are also encouraged to read an individually chosen book for pleasure every day (15-30 mins).

## Mathematics

This term we will be studying place value and the four functions of number (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division). We will be using these skills to solve real-life problems. We will encourage pupils to explain, orally and in writing, how they did a calculation, or solved a problem. Children will be using their times tables knowledge more frequently as the year progresses so it is important that they have a secure knowledge of these. Every child is encouraged to use Times Table Rockstars and Doodle Maths at home to develop their mental recall.

## Music

Peter Grimes is an exciting piece of music by Benjamin Britten about a lonely fisherman, battling pirates, monsters and a horrendous storm out at sea. Children will improvise, compose and create their own motifs based on the music and structure them into a piece.

## Science

In Science, we will explore the fascinating topic of evolution. We will learn how living things have changed over time and investigate the difference between inherited and environmental characteristics.

We will explore how adaptations help animals and plants survive and discover how fossils provide evidence about life in the past. Children will develop their scientific thinking by asking questions, examining evidence and making links between organisms from the past and those alive today.

## Geography

Alongside our science unit on Evolution and Adaptation, children will follow in the footsteps of Charles Darwin with a geographical study of the Galapagos Islands.

Children will develop their understanding of human and physical geography, locational knowledge and geographical skills through an in-depth exploration of the region and its diverse geographical features.

## PE

PE day for all Year 6 classes is Friday. Children will be asked to come to school in their PE kit each Friday. They will stay in their PE kit all day. Please ensure this is school PE kit—blue shorts, white top and school jumper with no sports branded clothing. In the winter months children may wear plain jogging bottoms or leggings. Children may bring in roll-on deodorant but not an aerosol. Please ensure long hair is tied back and any earrings have been removed if possible.

# LEARNING AT HOME

## Independent Reading



We would like children to read for at least 20 minutes a day, either individually or with an adult or sibling. Any reading is good reading and will undoubtedly have a positive impact on your child's fluency, comprehension and writing. Please initial your child's reading record when they have read at home. Children who read each day at home will be entered into a special prize raffle draw at the end of each term.

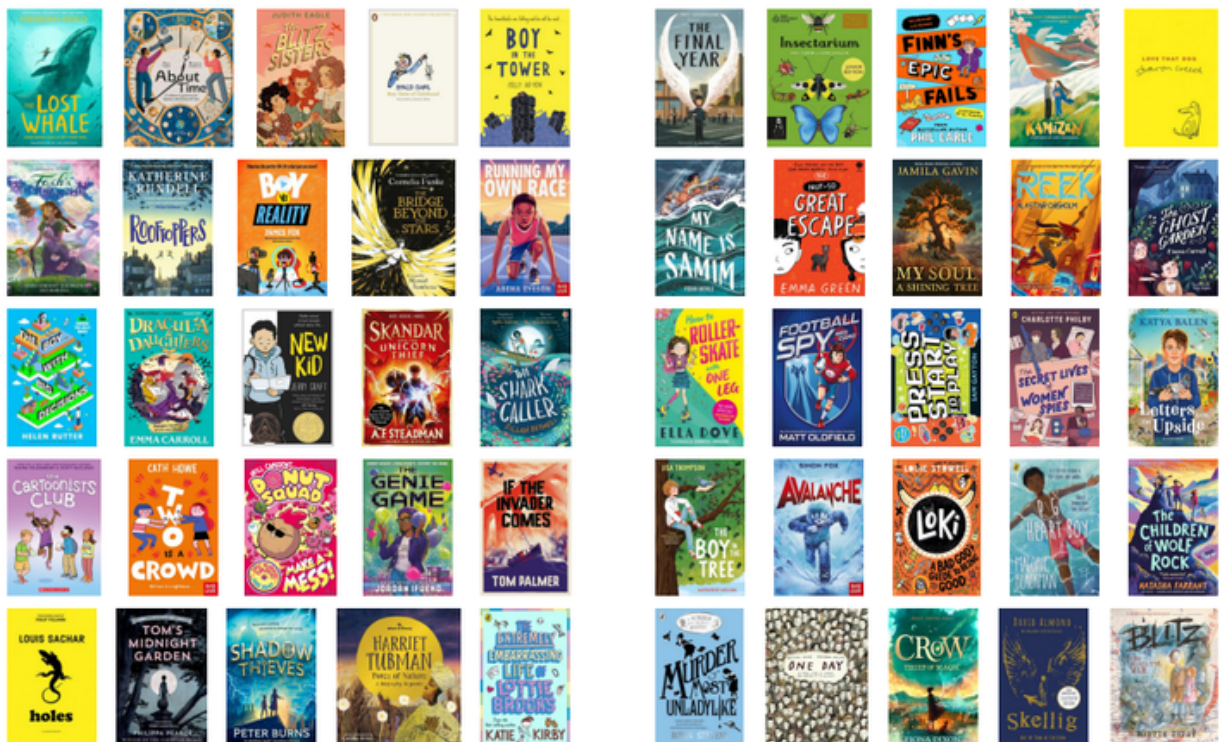
## Homework

We ask that children use Doodle Maths on a regular basis. The best approach with Doodle is little and often! We expect children to stay in the 'Green Zone' in order to be entered into a termly raffle, where they will have the opportunity to win prizes.



## Year 6 (ages 10-11)

## 50 Recommended Reads



Or visit [www.booksfortopics.com/year-6](http://www.booksfortopics.com/year-6)  
to find the online booklist, book pack, reviews and resources

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