

# Y6 Bulletin: Summer 2023

## Summer Term Topics



Roots, Shoots and Fruits



Earth as an island

## The Year 6 Team

Mr Kilgannon- Class Teacher  
Mrs Najjar - Learning Support Assistant  
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Mrs James- Writing Booster Group teacher

You can speak to us at the end of each school day in the playground or you can contact us through the school office by calling 0207 736 2318 or by sending an email to [y6@academy.thomas-s.co.uk](mailto:y6@academy.thomas-s.co.uk)

Our School Uniform is important - please make sure your child is wearing the correct clothes and shoes and that they have the correct PE kit. Please ensure that every item of your child's school uniform is named with a sewn on label or permanent pen.

We are always looking for ways to improve our school - please feel free to contact the school office if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

## School Start Time

8:50am

## School End Time

3:30pm

PE Days: **Wednesday** and **Thursday**

Children should come dressed in their PE kit on these days.



Every day is vital - please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.



Your child is expected to bring in their reading folder everyday so that letters and books can be brought home for you and your child to read.

**It is vital** that you take time to read with your child as often as possible. Your child will be bringing a reading book home to read daily, along with a reading diary to record comments about their reading in.



Your child will be set homework every **Friday** via Google classroom and Edshed as well as CGP pages which will be documented in their reading records. It must be completed by the following **Wednesday**.

## Dates for the diary

1st May	Bank Holiday
2nd May	Strike Action
4th May	Coronation celebrations
8th May	Bank Holiday
9th-12th May	Y6 SATs week
26th May	Stay and Share Afternoon
29th May-2nd June	Half term
22nd June	Sports Day
3- 6th July	Y5/6 Residential
21st July	Last day of term (2pm finish)

In our Roots, Shoots and Fruits topic, we will be learning about:

- How plants are alive and have a life cycle, just like humans and animals
- How we can sort and classify plants based on their specific features
- How plants make their own food in their leaves to provide them with energy,
- That leaves absorb sunlight and carbon dioxide.
- That plants have roots to provide support and to draw moisture from the soil, through stems to take water to the rest of the plant.
- Flowering plants have evolved specific parts to carry out pollination, fertilization and seed growth.



In our Earth as an Island topic, we will be learning about:

- Previous island populations that have been isolated geographically but as new generations wanted to explore for over 5,000 years island have been explored and populated.
- How islands are inhabited for a range of reasons such as social, commercial or for military purposes.
- How islands are more prone to risks caused by geographical changes such as rising sea levels,. Some islands have already had to evacuate!
- Global use of plastics has also had a huge environmental impact on island nations, as plastics are washed from the land and into the world's oceans,



In Art, we will be learning about:

This term Year 6 will create art that links to The Global Goals - 17 international aims that address climate change, poverty and human rights issues around the world. This will link to the Academy's Cornerstone 'Think Globally' and will give the students a chance to think about world issues with a creative, critical and collaborative approach. Following discussions around the goals they will respond using a variety of art making techniques and processes.

## English

- How to create suspense and fear in a setting description
- How to convey mood with figurative language
- The purpose of biographies
- The style of non-fictional biographical writing

## Maths

- Scale factor
- Ratio and proportion
- Unequal sharing
- Negative numbers
- SATS Preparation and revision

In Character Curriculum, we will be learning about:

Relationships and Changing Me

In PE, we will be learning about:

- Cricket skills
- Sports Day practice

Sports Day 22nd of June at South Park

Our RE focus this term is

**Justice and Freedom and Crucifixion**

In Spanish, we will be learning about:

TOPIC 1: El Transporte

Learn about the different methods of transportation

Learn to use voy en/vas en

Use a timetable appropriately

Talk about your timetable and understand and compose a longer text

TOPIC 2 : ¿Te gustan las fiestas?

Use the pronoun *nosotros* and

talk about where do we meet

Learn locations: "teatro, cines

In Computing, we will be learning about:  
What is a database and how do databases work?

In Music, Year 6 will be studying:

**SoundScapes:** Pupils create Soundscapes in response to specific themes eg. Britten Sea Interludes or Mussorgsky's Pictures at an Exhibition

**Advert Awareness:** Pupils consider how society is guided by music in the wider world such as advertising. Devise in small groups from a visual stimulus possibly using Garageband.