



Friday 28th April 2022

Year 6 Summer Term Update

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Summer Term; it is our Year 6s' last term at Leighton Primary School. The children have a busy, but very exciting term ahead of them. I would like to take the chance to update on some of the key events taking place this term.

End of Key Stage 2 Assessments (SATs): **Monday 9th May – Thursday 12th May.**

At the end of Year 6, children in England sit tests in: Reading, Maths and Grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS). The assessments include objectives taught across KS2 (Year 3 – Year 6)

Monday

English GPS Paper 1: questions

English grammar, punctuation and spelling Paper 2: spelling

Tuesday

English reading

Wednesday

Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic

Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning

Thursday

Mathematics Paper 3: reasoning

Please ensure your child arrives at school promptly for 8:45 for each day, so we have time to settle the children and get them ready for their assessments. If your child is ill, please let the school know as soon as possible. There is only a small timetable to complete all assessments, so we really need children in school and on time.

Children with additional needs, who have similar provision in their day-to-day learning at school, may be allotted specific arrangements to support them completing the assessments, including: additional time (25% more) or reading support as examples. All assessments must follow national guidelines and regulations as set out by the DfE / STA; we ensure the children are as comfortable and relaxed as possible throughout the week. Assessments are completed in the Year 6 classrooms.

I have attached a leaflet which contains further information, but please do get in touch if you have any questions.

On Friday 13th May, the Year 6 pupils will have a non-school uniform day and a special reward for all their hard work and efforts.

Secondary School Transition Days:

Peterborough secondary schools have organised transition days (move up days) for the 6th and 7th July; unfortunately, this clashes with the year 6 residential trip. The trip will go ahead as planned, which means children can attend their secondary school on Thursday 7th July only. Both OBA and Nene Park have organised a visit to Leighton to speak with the children in June.

Children, **who are not going on the residential trip**, should attend school as normal on Monday 4th July, Tuesday 5th and then attend their secondary school (if invited to) on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th July. All children will be in Leighton as normal on Friday 8th July.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's secondary school as they have all the information. The transition days are not organised by Leighton Primary School.

Residential trip:

The trip is on **Monday 4th July – Wednesday 6th July**. A big thank you for all the payments made to date. Please can I remind you that final payments are due. Mrs Pearce will be in contact with those who have outstanding balances. I will share more information about the trip closer to half term. Any worries or concerns about the trip, please contact your child's class teacher.

Revision:

Every child has a revision book for Maths and English to help with preparation for their SATs in May. I have been reminding children in class to complete a little bit of revision each day. They should focus on the bits they have found tricky in class and speak to their teacher if they have any concerns. All we ever ask of the children is that they try their best and that is all that matters.

Return revision books: once the SATs are completed, and if your child no longer wants their revision books, please could they kindly be returned to school.

End of term treats:

As is tradition in Year 6, we like to finish the school year with a party and leavers' assembly. The last two years have been impacted upon by the Covid-19 pandemic; hopefully, this year we should be able to organise events as normal. Both events will be in July and details will be shared with you closer to the date.

Leavers Hoodies:

There will be a letter shared with you all very soon about ordering leavers' hoodies for your child. You will be kindly asked for a contribution towards the cost of the hoodie.

Reading:

Many of the children are avid readers and are reading across a range of different texts and genres. Please can you kindly encourage your child to continue their reading as often as possible at home. Reading records are checked in school. It would be fantastic if you could find some time to share reading with your child as it has such a positive impact on their learning.

Learning Café:

There will be a year 6 learning café happening very soon – parents will be invited into school to see some of the children's learning and take part in some activities alongside the Year 6 children.

Thank you for your continued support,

best wishes

Mr Corleys, Mr Saull and Miss Cope.