Castle Primary School
Aim High

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn Term 2 2026

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Welcome to Year 6!

We hope you had a lovely half term break. This term our learning will be based around the topic World War I & II. Below is an overview of what we will be learning across the curriculum.

PE – Outdoor Netball

We will be having Mrs Ricketts teach us a variety of netball skills, including passing, shooting, transporting and movement.

PE – Indoor Gymnastics

In this unit we will continue to develop a range of balance and counter-balance both with a partner and with apparatus.

English

We will be using a variety of World War based texts to write a range of both emotive and informative pieces from different genres.

Computing

We will be using spreadsheets to create, organise and present information.

Our Topic: World War I & II

Maths

We will be revising previous fraction and decimals skills before developing them further.

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Science

We will be learning about animals and humans including the circulatory system.

History

We will continue to learn about the events of both World War I and World War II, focusing on aspects of life on the home front, propaganda, key individuals and how the wars changed the country.

Design Technology

We will research contemporary WWII biscuits and then design and bake our own.

RE

We will be looking more closely at the story of Nativity, using Matthew and Luke to examine the concept of interpretation.

French

We will be learning how to share the date in French including days of the week, months and years.

Art

Our focus will be the work of Edvard Munch. We will be looking at his style, exploring emotions and creating our own artwork.

PSHE

We are looking at health, diet and our lifestyle choices as well as celebrating differences.

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How you can help your child at home...

Small steps make a big difference!

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Be a reader...



- Please encourage your child to read regularly at home. They can read a range of books or other texts (e.g. comics, websites, instructions).
- Spend time discussing the content, such as the plot, characters and settings.
- Encourage them to make predictions about what might happen next.
- Ask them to read aloud with fluency and expression (prosody).

Be a mathematician...



- Encourage your child to practise their fraction and decimal skills at home.
- Look for opportunities to use fractions and decimals in everyday situations (e.g. when cooking, measuring or shopping).
- Play simple maths games or use online resources to build confidence.
- Talk about how maths is used in real life.

Be a historian...



- Find out more about World War I and II by visiting museums, watching documentaries or exploring online resources.
- Talk about how life on the home front was different.
- Look at old photographs and discuss how things have changed over time.

Find out more...



- Use the School Reading List for Year 6 for recommended books: https://schoolreadinglist.co.uk/reading-lists-for-ks2-school-pupils/suggested-reading-list-for-year-6-pupils-ks2-age-10-11/

Homework in Year 6



- Maths or English homework will be given out on a Friday and expected to be handed in by the following Wednesday.
- This will be stored in the children's navy blue homework folder that they will be given in September.

Every week:

- Spellings – practise on Spelling Shed: 3 games on 3 different days.
- Times tables – practise on TT Rockstars: 3 games on 3 different days, with an average of 10 minutes a day.





PE days



Wednesdays (netball) and a day TBC via email (gymnastics) will be PE days in **Autumn 2**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days.



Regular reading



- We recommend that Year 6 children read daily at home for 15 to 20 minutes minimum.