

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## **Year 6 information letter**

We would like to welcome you and your child to Year 6 and look forward to working with you to ensure that your child reaches their full potential. We hope that as they progress through Year 6 with us they will develop their independence and be prepared to enter their next step of their educational journey.

Here is some information we hope you will find useful in the first few weeks of Y6.

**Pine:** Mrs Hill (Mondays, Tuesdays + Wednesdays) & Mrs Davies (Thursdays + Fridays)

**Oak:** Miss Thomas

Other adults supporting in Year 6: Mrs Lee, Mrs Oliver, Mr Dyke (PE)

### Dojo / Communication:

We will endeavour to keep you informed throughout the year through Class Dojo. If you do not have a dojo account please contact your child's teacher or the school office. If at any point in the year, you would like to discuss your child's learning or speak to the class teacher about a non-urgent matter, please contact us via our class email [pine@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:pine@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk) / [oak@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:oak@sandfordprimary.dorset.sch.uk). If it is urgent, please phone the school office.

### Homework:

This year, our Year 6 homework will mainly be set online. We're using a structured programme designed to help your child feel confident and well prepared for the SATs. It also adapts to each child's individual ability level. To make sure everyone is comfortable with the system, we'll practise using it together in class. For the first few weeks, we'll also send home paper-based homework while the children settle into the new online approach. Thank you for your support as we help the children get the most from their learning. Homework will be **set every Wednesday**. Homework is to be **handed in no later than the following Monday** please.

### Reading:

We would expect all children to be regularly reading at home throughout the year either independently or with an adult if needed. The more reading they complete at home, the better. The minimum expectation is for 3 reads per week. Details of home reading should be recorded via your child's Boom Reader account as in Y5 and a reading raffle will take place as in Y5.

### Uniform:

Please ensure your child is dressed in the correct uniform as per our website. Please remember jewellery is not allowed in school except small stud earrings and a watch. (Watches should not have messaging, phoning, gaming or photography functions.) Long hair must be tied up. Nail varnish and make up is not permitted.

### PE Days:

PE Days for Year 6 are **Mondays and Fridays**. Children should come dressed in their correct PE kit on these days. The correct PE kit is:

- White school logo t-shirt / plain white round neck t-shirt
- Black shorts / black tracksuit bottoms/ black leggings (no logos)
- Black hoodie/black sweatshirt (no logos)
- Trainers / black plimsolls

### Curriculum:

As well as daily maths and English lessons, children will encounter a broad and balanced curriculum encompassing all curriculum areas. Our main focus for the Autumn term is 'WWII' in history and 'Living Things and Habitats' in science. Please keep an eye on Dojo for messages and information throughout the year regarding current areas of study / focus.

### Trips:

In Year 6, we will visit Nothe Fort in October (full details to follow in due course) and then after our SATs week, towards the end of the year, we will be organising a series of 'Fantastic Fridays' so we have lots to look forward to...

### Meet the Teacher:

We will be holding an informal drop-in session after school on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September between 3:15 – 4:14**. This is an opportunity to say hello, share any information about your child / family that you need us to know, to hear a bit more about what goes on in Year 6 and how it is a little different to other year groups at Sandford in preparation for secondary school, and to ask us any questions. There is no need to make an appointment.

### Dates for the Diary:

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Oak Class trip to Nothe Fort (more details to follow)

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Pine Class trip to Nothe Fort (more details to follow)

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Year 5/6 Carol Service

11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May – SATs week (Please don't book holiday during this week!)

More dates to follow throughout the year.

We are sure your child will have a wonderful final year at Sandford with us in Year 6.

Kind regards,

The Year 6 Team

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