

# Year 6

## Summer Term Newsletter

Friday 21st April 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, we'd like to say a big welcome back to the children - we hope everyone has had a much needed rest and is ready for the term ahead! It's going to be a very special last term at **Walnut Tree Walk**, and we are sure the children will be sent off with a bang!

### SATs

The SATs are fast approaching, and we are so proud of the children for how hard they've worked to get themselves prepared. They have really thrown themselves into the challenge. The Monday of SATs week is a bank holiday, so hopefully the children will arrive at school on Tuesday morning well-rested! The timetable for the SATs is as follows:

Tuesday 9th May:	Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar
Wednesday 10th May:	English Reading
Thursday 11th May:	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Thursday 12th May:	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

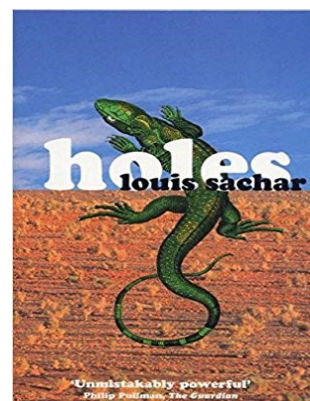


During SATs week, we will be providing free breakfast for any Year 6 children who would like it. Please ensure your child arrives between 8:15 and 8:30am each day if they would like breakfast. If not, please ensure that they are in school on time every day as the SATs papers will be started promptly each morning.

### Literacy and Maths

With the SATs out of the way from mid-May, we will be able to focus on our creative writing. Our class text will be *Holes* by Louis Sachar. It's a great book which we are sure the children will thoroughly enjoy!

In terms of Maths, we will engage in maths investigations which will be fun and will consolidate the children's learning to prepare them for moving up to secondary school. We will also use the time to support children with any specific gaps in mathematical knowledge.



### Science

This term, we will be focussing on the human body - more specifically we will be learning about how the body functions, the effects of exercise, as well as looking into drugs, medicines and reproduction.

## Projects

This term we will focus on longer-term, project based skills in different subjects. These are designed to enhance their planning, presentation and public-speaking skills before the transition to secondary school.

For example, in DT, the children are starting a project to design and make a steady hand game. This will involve moving a wire hoop around an electrical system and trying to complete it without a sounding!

## Trips and visits



There are a number of trips and in-school visits planned for this term. Here are the dates we have confirmed so far:

- 15th May: **Hollywood Bowl—a well deserved day of fun!**
- 11th to 14th June: **School Journey**
- 30th June: **Into University Secondary School Transition Workshop**
- May—July: **The Mental Health Support Team** are leading a series of six 45-minute workshops that will support the children to understand what the transition to secondary school will involve. These will be during the school day on Fridays.

## Leavers' Show

We are all really looking forward to getting to work on our Leaver's Show. We will inform you of the title and the date in the near future. This is always a huge moment in the children's time at Walnut Tree Walk. We hope your child will be auditioning and helping to put on a great show!



## PE

PE on a Friday and Dance on a Thursday will continue for all of this term. Additionally, we are delighted to announce that the children will start swimming lessons after half term. We will send out more information regarding this, but please ensure that your child has suitable gear (i.e. swimming costume / shorts, swimming hat, towel).

## PSHE

This term the children will be taking part in PSHE (Personal Social and Health Education) lessons, including sessions on puberty and sex and relationships education (SRE). If you have any questions about this or would like to discuss withdrawing your child from these sessions, please come and speak to one of us or Andrew. However, we would strongly encourage everyone to take part in these important sessions before they move to secondary school.

That is all for now. We are sure this term will be a memorable one and that the children will get the send off they deserve. If you have any questions, queries or concerns about anything at all then please feel free to drop us an email.

Many thanks

Connor and Tilly