

Curriculum Overview

English: Texts will include One Plastic Bag, The Unforgotten Coat and Macbeth.

Maths: Fractional Reasoning, Volume, Time and mathematical investigations inspired by the text 'The Number Devil'. Year 6 revision in preparation for SATs.

Science: Properties and Changes of Materials followed by Living Things and their Habitats

RE: What kind of king is Jesus? How can following God bring freedom and justice? Are Sikh stories important today? What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God?

History: Thomas Clarkson and the Transatlantic Slave Trade

Geography: Stevenage twinned with Autun in France (second half term)

Design and Technology: Textiles – pencil cases

Art: Fieldwork sketching and watercolours

PE: Tennis, Unihoc, Cricket, Rounders, Athletics,

PSHE: Drugs Education, Aiming High and Careers

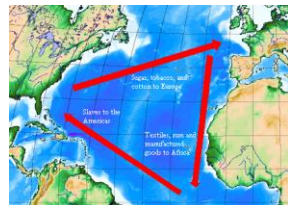
MfL: Habitats and French Culture

Music: Preparation for summer production, recorders and 'Roundabouts' unit.

Computing: Networks and quizzing



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Danes Class Summer Term 2023

It is hard to believe that Year Six are now in their last term at primary school and that Year Five will shortly be entering their final year at Aston!

The children have worked really hard all year and should be proud of the progress that they are making. We now have only a couple of weeks until Year Six have their SATs (beginning 9th May). During this important period, we need the children to sustain their focus and hard work in order to achieve their personal bests and results that they are proud of. It may be hard to believe but children generally enjoy assessment week; they have been well prepared, are eager to demonstrate their skills as well as enjoying happy, relaxed afternoons – hopefully in the sunshine!

There are, of course, many other events to look forward to as well this term – our summer production, sports day, off site visits, visits to secondary schools and lots more.

National Curriculum Assessment Week: 9th – 12th May 2023 (Year Six)

Please make sure that your child has a break the weekend before testing, with plenty of time to relax. It is also important that they get to bed at a sensible time in order that they are not tired. Also, please make sure that they have time to eat a good breakfast before arriving in school.

The timetable for the week is as follows:

Tuesday 9th May	Wednesday 10th May	Thursday 11th May	Friday 12th May
English: Grammar, punctuation and spelling	English: Reading	Maths: Paper 1 Arithmetic and Paper 2 Reasoning	Maths: Paper 3 Reasoning

Please note: All tests will be completed in the mornings.

Equipment

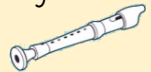
PE Kit: PE lessons will take place on Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure appropriate kits are in school and items clearly labelled. Trainers will be needed EVERY DAY for the 'Daily Mile'.



Water bottles: It is essential that all children bring a named water bottle into school each day and take it home to be washed daily. They will keep these next to their table for use throughout the day.



Recorders: please make sure these are in school every Tuesday



Pencil cases: please make sure your child comes to school equipped for learning



Home Learning Expectations

A key focus in upper Key Stage Two is to ensure children are prepared as fully as possible for transition to secondary school. With this in mind, regular homework is on different days with the expectation that all children organise their time to ensure that tasks are completed and submitted on time. Children should be encouraged to be as independent as possible in terms of organising themselves and ensuring all tasks are completed on time (though it is absolutely fine to support your child with their learning as appropriate).

Curriculum Subject	Day Set	Due In
English	Monday	Friday
English (Grammar and Punctuation) Year 6 only	Thursday (until SATs only)	Tuesday
Maths	Friday	Thursday
Reading	Daily (15-30 minutes)	
Spelling	Practise in spelling journal 3+ times a week (5-10 mins)	
Times Tables Rock Stars	A few minutes most days.	
History/Geography/ Science	Ideas sheet to be handed out and posted via Seesaw (optional for Year Six this half term)	Any time before 24th May

Please remember to check our class webpage for updates, photos and curriculum information:

<https://www.astonmarys.herts.sch.uk/danes-2/>

Upcoming Events

Sunday 30th April – Choir sing at the Albert Hall

Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May – Bank Holidays

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May – Year Six SATs Assessments

Friday 19th May – Sports Day

Thursday 25th May – Open Morning

Thursday 15th June – First Aid Training



Monday 19th June – Friday 23rd June – Year Six Bikeability Training

Wednesday 5th July – Danes and Puddlebridge Classes to Wickstead Park



Tuesday 11th July and Wednesday 12th July – Summer Production

Thursday 13th July – Transition day (Year Six visit their new schools)

Wednesday 19th July – Leavers' Service