



Year 6 – Summer Term 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome to the final half term of Year 6!

Warmer weather planning

As we move into the warmer months, please ensure that all hats and sun cream bottles are clearly labelled with your child's name. Most sun creams provide up to 8 hours of protection; if you wish to send sun cream into school, children must be able to apply this independently. During the heatwave before half term, we provided indoor spaces for children who preferred not to be outside, and we continue to follow our Warm Weather Policy to support children during periods of hot weather.

Swimming

Swimming lessons will continue this half term with the same children. Please ensure your child comes to school with their full swimming kit on the correct days, including a towel and appropriate swimwear. Swimming has been a brilliant opportunity for the children to continue developing their confidence and water safety skills.

Year 5/6 Production – *Abba-Laddin*

We are delighted to announce that the children will soon begin rehearsals for our Year 5 and 6 production of *Abba-Laddin*! The children are already excited to get started and we are looking forward to seeing their confidence and performance skills develop over the coming weeks.

Further information will be sent out shortly regarding:

- performance dates (Monday 29th June 9:30am-11:30am and Tuesday 30th June 1pm-3pm)
- children's roles and characters,
- costume requirements,
- and ticket arrangements

DART Programme

We will also be continuing with the DART (Drugs, Alcohol and Resistance Training) programme this half term. These sessions provide children with valuable knowledge and strategies to help them make safe and informed choices as they prepare for secondary school.

Rugby Leaders Training

This half term, the children will begin Rugby Leaders training with Ben from Newark Rugby Club. The programme is designed to help develop leadership, teamwork, communication and organisation skills through a range of practical activities and coaching opportunities. We are very grateful to Ben for continuing to support our pupils with this exciting opportunity.

PE

PE will take place on Wednesdays (Premier Education), Thursdays (Ben – Sport Leader Course) and Fridays (Mr West). Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days.



R4S – Ready for Secondary

As part of our transition work this half term, we will also be introducing our R4S (Ready for Secondary) programme. This is designed to help prepare the children for some of the routines and expectations they will experience in Year 7.

As part of this, children will:

- follow a timetable of lessons,
- receive subject-specific homework tasks,
- take responsibility for taking the correct books home,
- and ensure they bring the appropriate books and equipment into school on the correct days.

We hope this will help build organisation, independence and confidence ahead of the move to secondary school.

Curriculum Overview

Our yearly overview of topics and themes for UKS2 is available on the school website for your reference. This will help you stay informed about what your child will be learning throughout the year - [John Blow Primary School - Curriculum](#)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support throughout the year. We are looking forward to a fantastic final half term with the children.

Kind regards,

Mr Straw