



# PURPLE CLASS NEWS



## Spring Term 2026

Dear parents and families,

Happy New Year and welcome to spring term 2026! This term we will continue to build on our key maths and English skills as well as take on more adventurous challenges during our residential at the end of the term!



### Prefects


A huge well done and thank you to the autumn term prefects for all of their hard work, enthusiasm and dedication. The new prefects are keen and ready to continue the excellent work.

Buddy Reading continues with children having a new buddy for this term. Children in Rainbow Class are now beginning to blend to read, so as well as reading to their buddy, the Year 6 children are also hearing their buddy read.



### PE


PE will continue to be run by the Achieve 4 All coaches on a Thursday and myself on Friday. This term, A4A will be teaching gymnastics followed by netball. I will be starting with fitness, linked to our science topic and then orienteering ready for our activities at Skern Lodge.



### Curriculum

Our science learning this term looks at how living systems work together to maintain a healthy body. Children will learn about the circulatory system and the heart.


We begin our first geography unit looking at the economic activity of the UK. Children will learn about the three main economic sectors and how each impacts the UK's economy.



Children will be making a gothic inspired model in DT. They will be designing this using computer aided design and adding features such as LED lights and buzzers.

Our PSHE units are 'Valuing Difference' and 'Rights and Respect'.

For a more detailed explanation of the learning that will be covered during this spring term, please take a look at the topic web on the school website.



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### Reading

Children are expected to read for 10 - 15 minutes every day. They will have either a reading scheme book or a book matched to their reading level.

Children are welcome to bring in books from home too.

Although children might not always read aloud to an adult in Year 6, it is important to check-in with them regularly. You can identify misconceptions they may be having, discuss the story, characters and key information. Conversations about what they are reading are so important and can make a huge difference to their academic progress in all subjects.



### Times Tables

Times tables knowledge is especially important for our Y6 children and their SATs. Being fluent in their multiplication and division facts significantly boosts confidence and performance across the entire SATs maths assessment.

Children can practise these by logging on to Maths Shed or accessing other web-based games such as Top Marks Maths.

### Spelling

Each child will continue to have a login to Spelling Shed to practise spellings and revise patterns and rules. These rules will be taught in the lesson on Monday and recapped and practised throughout the week.

### SATs & Revision

Homework expectations will also shift towards 1 hour of independent revision a week to help with our preparation for the key stage 2 SATs in May. In the coming weeks, we will make timetables in class and discuss what revision might look like. A letter containing an order form will be sent out shortly, allowing families to purchase revision guides through the school at a discounted rate.

As always, please use Class Dojo to send any messages to me. If you have an urgent request, then please telephone the school office. I am more than happy to telephone you to discuss any concerns or queries you may have in more detail.

I hope the children are looking forward to what is going to be a busy and exciting term ahead. Many thanks for your continued support.

Miss Blake & the Year 6 Team