



Year 6 Summer 1: Great Minds



KEEP CALM
AND
SMASH YOUR SATS



Hello and welcome back to another busy half-term! We hope you've all had a wonderful break and a chance to rest. On Monday 12th May, your child will be sitting the first of their formal SATs tests. They have been working incredibly hard this year and their teachers are so proud of them! Please contact the school if you would like any revision materials as your child's teacher would be more than happy to supply them. Also, please look out for correspondence regarding the SATs breakfast that week. This will be an opportunity for children to come into school a little earlier, calm their nerves and have a filling breakfast with their friends. You will have the opportunity to sign your children up to this in a couple of week's time.

Topic this half-term:

Science: The Human Body (circulation)

French: The Hungry Caterpillar

Computing: Scratch Stop Motion Video

RE: Moral Code

PE: Tennis and Cricket (both outdoors)

PSHE: Making and Saving Money

History: Ancient Islamic Civilisations

Art: Sculpture (modular art)

Music: Composition

To best prepare your children for their upcoming SATs, we will also be revising the KS2 maths and grammar content and practising reading test techniques.

What is this topic about?

This unit (which will stretch across both summer 1 and summer 2 term) is all based on **great minds** that have impacted our world. To begin, we will be studying Shakespeare and in particular, **Macbeth**. On the 23rd April, to help your child get to grips with the gruesome story, they will be participating in a drama workshop. We will be continuing our class reader: **Safiyah's War** and after SATs, we will be using **Harvey Milk: Pride** as a writing stimulus.

Key dates:

Wednesday 24th April: Macbeth workshop

Wednesday 30th April: Think Safe Event

Monday 5th May: Bank holiday

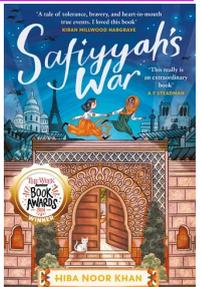
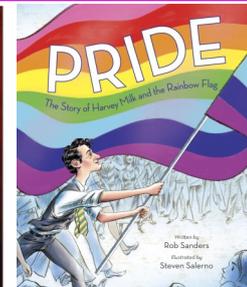
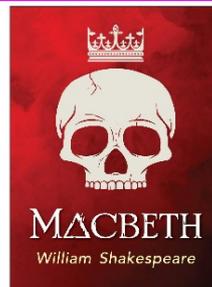
Wednesday 7th May: Healthy Relationship parent workshop y6

Friday 9th May: Healthy Relationship parent questionnaire open

Monday 12th—Thursday 15th May: SATs week

Friday 16th May: Tug of War (House Event)

Thursday 22nd May: Nepali Day



NO MOBILE MAY

Put Down the Phone. Pick Up the Moment.



This May, let's make school drop-offs and pick-ups screen-free



Talk with your child - even a few minutes makes a big difference



Walk, chat, laugh - be present in the little transitions



At the School Gate:

- No phones during pick-up/drop-off
- Make every "hello" and "goodbye" count

We look forward to you joining us in our mobile free pick up!





Please look out for correspondence regarding Bikeability Week which will be running in Summer 2. It's a highly enjoyable week for the children and such an important skill to learn before attending secondary school.



Online Safety:

Recent research shows that **12%** of children have video chatted with someone that they don't know online. It is important that we all work together to have regular and open conversations with children so that they understand that they can reach out for help if they need it.

More importantly, having these conversations can prevent children from taking actions such as this in the first place. Of course, **video chatting poses significant risks** which need to be discussed honestly.

If you would like support in how to have these conversations, please reach out to your child's teacher.

Talavera Smart uniform reminders:

At Talavera we continue to have high expectations for school uniform. Please ensure your child is following the correct dress code in line with our uniform policy.

Please see below for key reminders:

- Children are only permitted to wear one pair of earrings **which must be studs**. These must be removed or tape must be provided on PE days.
- Children should be wearing black school trousers, a skirt or a dress daily. **Leggings and jogging bottoms are not permitted**.
- Children should wear a white polo shirt which is different from their PE top.
- Nail polish and temporary tattoos must be removed before coming to school.
- Hair, which is shoulder length or longer, must be tied up.
- A red cardigan or jumper should be worn in school. **Hoodies are not part of the uniform policy**.
- Children need to wear plain, black shoes. Please see the examples provided and contact us if you're not sure.

If you are experiencing any difficulty providing your child with suitable uniform, do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Webb, Mrs Harman-Box or the office and the school will assist you. Remember we also have our second hand uniform trove which is available when requested at the school office.





NANA

NANA is the Nepalese Additional Needs Awareness (NANA) charity. Their aim is to remove cultural and language barriers that obstruct education and support of children with additional needs within the Nepali community in Rushmoor and surrounding areas. They aim to do this through raising awareness, engaging with schools, providing information and training opportunities.

The charity provides support for families and children who have Autism and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

If you would like to contact the charity, please use the email provided nana.org2023@gmail.com



Packed lunches:

Healthy lunches are crucial for your children who are working exceptionally hard during the school day to push themselves. For this reason, please ensure that your child has enough food and that it is varied, with a good range of fruit and vegetables included, to give your child's brain the power it needs.



We know that finances can be tight towards the end of the month. This, combined with the rising cost of living, can make providing lunches every day difficult. Please do reach out to us if you need support - we are here to help.

Physical Education:

P.E. is a vital part of our curriculum, a government requirement and a subject our children enjoy. However, to ensure children are able to fully participate, it is vital that children remember their PE kit.

Although we understand some children wear their P.E. kit to clubs, their kit should be in school **every day**. Due to the time of year, Children may also wear plain running leggings/ joggers and a plain hoodie/ sweatshirt when outside.

P.E takes place **every Monday and Friday** for the whole of Year 6.



Friday 23rd May: Year 6 photos

Monday 26th May: Half-term week