

Year 6



Meet The Teacher

2025 - 2026

Meet The Team

Class: Beech

Teacher: Mr Darroux

Support Staff: Mrs Hustler

Class: Sycamore

Teacher: Ms Hammond

Support Staff: Mrs Sriram

Our Curriculum

Year 6 Curriculum Map

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
English	Macbeth - Shakespeare <i>Persuasive letter</i> <i>Interview of character</i> <i>Biography – William Shakespeare</i> <i>Sonnet</i>	Floodland <i>Narrative Story</i> <i>Diary entry</i> <i>Non-Chronological report (Climate Change)</i>	Now or Never - A Dunkirk story <i>Informal letter</i> <i>Balanced Argument / Debate</i> <i>Newspaper Report</i> <i>Nonsense Poetry – Ning Nang Nong</i>	The Breadwinner <i>Narrative – alternative ending</i> <i>Persuasive speech</i> <i>Recount</i>	Harry Potter and the Philosophers stone <i>Narrative Story</i> <i>Character/Setting description</i> <i>Diary entry</i>	The Legend of Troy <i>Performance Drama</i> <i>Playscript writing</i>
Maths	Place Value Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division Fractions Converting units		Ratio Algebra Fractions, decimals and percentages Area, perimeter and volume Statistics		Shape Position and direction Revision	
Science	Light	Classification	Evolution and Inheritance		Electricity	Circulation and Lifestyle
Computing	Coding: Creating an advanced game	Blogs	Text Adventures	Networks / The Internet	Spreadsheets	Quizzing: using Google Forms
History	Ancient Greece		Conflict and Resolution			
Geography		Mapping the World			Global Challenges: Climate Change	Global challenges: Trade

For the full curriculum overview, please see the school website.

Reading

- The expectation is that all children must read **every day**.
- Parents must sign the **READING RECORD** to say that children have read.
- Children will bring home books that are matched to their reading level.
- Children also have the opportunity to take books from the school library.
- We also encourage children to join their local library.



P.E Days

- PE in Year 6 is every **Monday** (indoor) and **Tuesday** (outdoor) afternoon.
- Children must wear their school uniform and change into their PE kits at school.
- Children should bring the appropriate footwear to change in to.
- It is important that PE kits are regularly washed.
- All items of the kit must be clearly labelled.
- If pupils have an after school club on days other than Monday, they must wear their school uniform and change into their PE kits at the end of the day (supervision will be provided)

Home Learning

Homework is given out each Friday and due back on Thursday.

Spellings / Times tables – please check Google classrooms. The spelling overview has already been shared with you on this platform.

Spelling test is weekly.

Keep checking Google classrooms for English and maths lessons.

Enrichment

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2	Cost
Year 6	<i>Social</i> <i>Be Safe</i>	<i>Social</i> <i>Be Safe</i>	<i>Spiritual</i> <i>Be Resilient</i>	<i>Moral</i> <i>Be Responsible</i>	<i>Cultural</i> <i>Be Respectful</i>	<i>Careers</i> <i>Be Ready</i>	
	TFL citizenship workshop Bikeability	Headstone Park - Orienteering Royal Ballet & Opera - Everybody Dance Online Workshop- Ballet PE	Drug Workshop Free PSHE The Natural History Museum Science - Evolution	Geo Bus - Fossils Science - Evolution and Inheritance	Bentley Priory WW2 workshop History WW2	Entrepreneurship Project - Make a Fiver Grow Careers	
	In school Free	In school Local walking Free	TFL Free	In school Free	TFL - Bus £4	In school £5 per group (4 to a group)	£9

Key Dates

Class Assemblies: Sycamore Friday 3rd October 2025
Beech Friday 21st November 2025

Maths Parent Workshop: Wednesday 1st October 2025

Autumn 1 Workshop: Author visit & workshop, Drug Workshop
Autumn 2 Workshop: Discover Ballet Online Workshop, TFL citizenship

Autumn 2 Trip: Headstone Park - Orienteering

The Duke of Cedars

Pupils will complete a number of activities within the following four categories; Physical, Skills, Volunteering and Expedition. Over the course of our pupils' school experience, they will complete and achieve four awards, Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. Each award will be completed over a 2-year period, as set out below. Children's achievements are recognised at the end of each academic year with a certificate. Children will be awarded a badge representing the award they have completed at the end of the 2 years.

Bronze	Nursery and Reception	End of EYFS
Silver	Year 1 and Year 2	End of KS1
Gold	Year 3 and Year 4	End of LKS2
Platinum	Year 5 and Year 6	End of KS2

Duke of Cedars Platinum Awards						
Year 5 and 6						
Physical		Skills		Volunteering		Expedition
Cycling proficiency		Public speaking and debating		Reading Buddy Reception and Year 1		Exploring teamwork – Eco Warriors / JRSO / Head Boy / Girl / School Council
Cross Country		Film and Video Making		Online Safety – Communicating key messages to the community – create a blog		STEM - Planning an Arctic Expedition
Orienteering		Young entrepreneurship		Collecting for the Food Bank		Blindfolded Communication – Team building and communication skills - Learning through Landscapes Project
Cricket * Supplementary activity						

Expectations

be ready to learn – we are all here to help you to achieve your best

be present – take part in the lessons and ask if you need help

be polite – good manners cost nothing and you will need them all of your life

work hard – many things aren't easy so we need resilience and tenacity

be brave – don't give up. That's the easy option. We are here to help you succeed

new day – everyday is a new day for us to move towards your goals



Attendance

96% is a satisfactory level of attendance.

Attendance below this level will be recorded as unsatisfactory.

Holidays taken during term time will not be authorised.

Ensure children arrive at school on time to avoid lost learning time.

Reporting an Absence

Please phone the school in the morning to let us know that your child will be absent.

If your child becomes ill at school we will phone you to ask you to arrange for your child to be collected.

It is important that we have your current phone number on record.

Please remember to let us know if there are any changes.

SATs

Further meetings will occur throughout the year in relation to the build up to **SATs**.

KS2 SATs 2026 Dates

Monday 11th May 2026

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Spelling - 20 mins

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar: Punctuation and Grammar - 45 mins

Tuesday 12th May 2026

Reading - 60 mins

Wednesday 13th May 2026

Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic - 30 mins

Maths Paper 2: Reasoning - 40 mins

Thursday 14th May 2025

Maths Paper 3: Reasoning - 40 mins

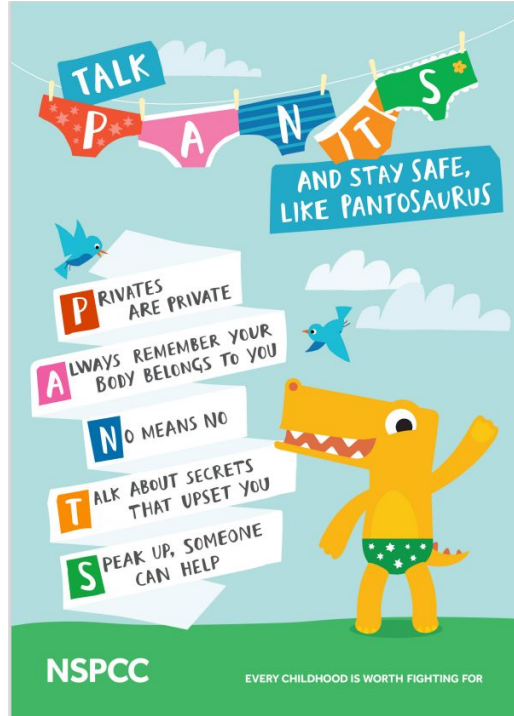


Internet Safety at Home

- Set controls on your search engine – Google how to set parental controls on e.g. iPhone 14 and follow the instructions.
- [Parentzone](#) and [ThinkUKnow](#) are really useful sources of advice for internet safety. Just google the words and you will find the sites straight away.
- Remind children **NOT** to give personal information to anyone they are chatting to online when playing games.
- Remind children **NEVER** to agree to meet anyone they have been talking to online.



Every year, pupils are reminded about the PANTS rule at Cedars Manor School. Please discuss with your child.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-IL07JOGU5o>

Since Covid, there has been an alarming increase in primary pupils being exploited online. Please discuss with your child the importance of not getting changed while holding a device.



<https://undressed.lgfl.net/>

Please click on the links and discuss with all children

Please discuss with your child the age restrictions for social media apps. If you are allowing your child to use one of these apps, please remind them to keep their accounts **PRIVATE**, **NEVER** to share pictures or videos of anyone without permission and to **THINK** before posting.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

Twitter
Tik Tok
Facebook
Instagram
Pinterest
Google+
Tumblr
Reddit
Snapchat
Secret

LinkedIn

WhatsApp

Vine

Path

YouTube

Keek

Foursquare

WeChat

Kik

Flickr

You now need to be **16** to use WhatsApp. Misuse of WhatsApp groups can lead to cyberbullying and problems at school. If you give permission for your child to have and use this app, please have a conversation with your child on how to use it responsibly.

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(13 with parents' permission)

THINK

BEFORE YOU POST!



T ~ IS IT TRUE?

H ~ IS IT HELPFUL?

I ~ IS IT INSPIRING?

N ~ IS IT NECESSARY?

K ~ IS IT KIND?



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Don't
be mean
behind
the
screen.



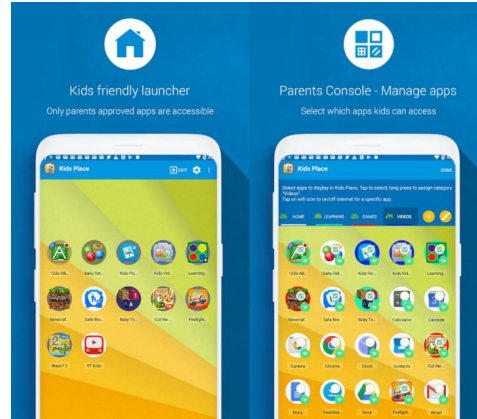
YouTube and TikTok are particularly popular with primary aged children; however, there are things to think about:

- Children can be exposed to adult content or unsuitable videos if they click on related videos
- Uploading videos of themselves (although innocently done) could make them vulnerable to online *trolling* or *predators*

It is advisable that you set YouTube search to **‘safe mode’**. You can find out how in the

[YouTube safety centre](#)

- *Limit the time online*
- *Manage their Use and Access*
- *Turn the Wifi off at bedtime*



Have a conversation with your child!

Children may be very worried that your response to a problem will be to take away their internet access. Whilst this may be an appropriate response in some cases, the threat may be a barrier for a child who needs help. Be aware of this when talking to them about their internet use, and reassure them that they can talk to you or a trusted adult whenever there is a problem.

Puberty

- As some children are beginning to reach puberty, during this Autumn term we will talk to the girls separately about menstruation.
- We will cover what they should do if they start their period at school.
- It would be a good idea to have a discussion at home beforehand to prepare them.
- The Year 6 team do have some products in the classroom in case your child is taken by surprise. Please let your child know that, and not to be embarrassed to ask for help.

Sleep and bedtime

In our classrooms we have a 'I need ...' box
Many children are telling us, "I need more sleep."

In the UK, children require different amounts of sleep based on their age, with recommendations ranging from 14-17 hours for infants to 9-12 hours for school-aged children.

School-aged children (6-13 years): **9-11 hours of sleep per night.**

More information: The Sleep Charity, incorporating The Sleep Council, provide advice and support. Their vision: that sleep is a vital component of health and wellbeing and that everyone living with sleep issues should have access to effective, consistent, evidence-based support.

[01302 01302 751416](tel:0130201302751416) | info@thesleepcharity.org.uk

Sleep deprivation causes increased hyperactivity and other behavioural problems, as well as damaging physical and mental development. Poor sleep habits from an early age can lead to long term sleep problems.

Quality sleep is essential for children's growth and development. A decent night's sleep will help them to do better at school, allow them to react more quickly to situations, have a more developed memory, learn more effectively and solve problems, plus it will make them less susceptible to colds and other minor ailments, less irritable and better behaved!

Finally...

A reminder:

Applying for a secondary school place

Applications usually open on 1 September.

You must apply for a secondary school place by 31 October.

Your children have already been visited by Bentley Wood, Whitefriars and Hatch End. Please look on the school's website for details of their open days and further information.