



Year 5/6 Information

Summer 1
2026

Welcome to the Summer Term!

As we head into the Summer 1 term at Hallgate Primary School, we have an incredibly busy and exciting curriculum planned for our Year 5 and 6 pupils, please take the time to read through the curriculum overview. While this is a high-energy time of year, we are immensely proud of how hard everyone is working—let's keep that momentum going!

Reading for enjoyment

As our Year 5 and 6 children get ready for their big move to secondary school, the best way we can support them is by encouraging reading for enjoyment.

It's more than just a school skill; UK research shows that children who love to read for fun often do better in all subjects.

Getting lost in a great story gives them a boost of confidence for their SATs and will help build the "word power" they'll need for secondary lessons.

In school, each class is reading a different book:

- Crater Lake by Jennifer Killick in Mr Hemmerman's class
- The Last Wild by Piers Torday in Ms Fairburn's class
- The Last Bear by Hannah Gold in Mr Easton's Class

We can warmly recommend each of these books to you to enjoy together with your child.



Dates for your diary

- 22nd April - Visit to Cottingham High to watch Oliver! (details to be confirmed)
- 11th-14th May - SATS week (Y6)
- 22nd May - Sports Day

Reminders and Requests

We love seeing your children's personalities shine, but we've noticed many "precious" items—like special pens, trinkets, and fidget toys—coming into class. While we understand why they love them, these treasures are easily lost, broken, or can become a distraction during lessons.



To keep our classrooms calm, please ensure these stay safely at home to be enjoyed after school. This helps everyone stay focused and prevents any accidents or disagreements. Thank you for helping us keep our school a "treasure-safe" space.

SATs week breakfast

Year 6 will take their SATs this half term. Children will be able to come into school from 8:15am for breakfast and to settle into the day.

This is a great way of starting the day for the children and teacher. More information will follow next term.

Homework

Year 6 will not have homework this half term on google classroom - please ensure your child is reading regularly and continues to practice their times tables.

Ways to support your child at home

As this is SATs term we understand some children might be feeling under a little pressure. If you are worried about your child please speak to your child's class teacher so we can put in some support. We will be encouraging the children to:

- *Think positively*
- *Be honest about how they feel*
- *Not compare themselves with others*
- *Share their worries with adults*

Remember that their best is always more than enough.

