



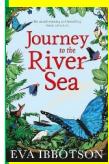
Year 5&6 Newsletter

Spring Term 2026

Happy New Year!

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and are ready for the term ahead - it's a particularly short one with lots crammed in. Thank you so much for all the lovely Christmas presents and cards we received, we were overwhelmed by your generosity.

We begin the year with 'Take one book week' where the whole school studies the picture book 'Bee and Me' by Alison Jay with different learning outcomes. We shall be focussing on narrative writing and therefore encouraging all the children further develop their authorial skills.



Thank you to all those of you who have purchased a copy of Journey to the River Sea, we shall be using this book as a stimulus for writing and for whole class reading.

This term also has two great DT topics for us to carry out: we shall be using IT to create our own T shirt designs with an environmental message; then to support our learning about the Ancient Maya, we shall be researching, making and marketing different chocolate products (a firm favourite with both children and staff!).

Our medium term plan for this term is on our school website where you will see the curriculum areas we plan to cover this term: [St Peters - Curriculum](#)

PE days will usually be Tuesday and Thursday for Sycamore and Tuesday and Friday for Maple and Willow Please make sure named PE kit is in school and remember earrings need to be removed as we are not able to tape them. Your child will need an outdoor jumper (not their school one) for PE as it can get very chilly on the field and a hair band for long hair, which must be tied back for health and safety reasons.

An additional reminder that jewellery (with the exception of small ear studs and watches), make-up and nail varnish are not to be worn for school. A reminder of our uniform policy can be found here: [St Peters | Uniform](#)

The homework expectation remains the same as last term- CGP pages for both Maths and Grammar will be set weekly, additionally we would hope children are reading at least 3 or 4 times a week for approximately 15 minutes a time. Continuous practice of times tables is also advisable- either using TTRS or another good activity is Hit the Button: [Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](#)

A reminder that Year 6 also have SATs on the horizon (WC 11/5-14/5/26) - there will be a parent meeting nearer the time. This does mean there may be additional homework and boosters coming their way to further support them.

We look forward to another successful term of working with you and please don't hesitate to come and see us if there is anything you are concerned about.

The Year 5&6 Team