



# Lyminster Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,



**Welcome to Summer 1 in Year 6. We hope that you had a lovely Easter break and that that children are ready for their final term of Primary School!**

This half term, our learning will focus on SATs revision and preparation. The children will be bringing home practice papers that they have completed in class, these have been marked and the children have had feedback. Please look through them and discuss these with your child. The children will have the opportunity to re-cap previous learning and ensure that they are fully prepared to sit the tests.

## Key dates for the half-term:

- **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April** Return to school after Easter Holidays
- **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** May Day Bank Holiday – school closed
- **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May** King's Coronation Bank Holiday – school closed
- **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** Year 6 SATs Exams take place
- **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** Break up for May half term
- **June 2023 – Arts Month** – more information will follow
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June** Start of Summer 2 half term
- **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June** Year 6 Cobnor Activities Centre Residential

## Things to remember:

- Your child will have **P.E. on Wednesday (Outdoor) and Thursday (indoor)** therefore they will need to come to school wearing their P.E. kit for both sessions (this includes trainers; school footwear is not suitable). Children are allowed to wear tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirts for outdoor P.E.
- We are still very much in the wetter and colder months (although hopefully warming up soon!) and we do like the children to be outside as much as possible during break and lunchtime even if it is lightly drizzling. Please ensure therefore that your child has a waterproof coat with them every day.
- Your child can bring a healthy snack (fruit or vegetable) to eat at break time. Some children are bringing cakes and crisps, which are not allowed as we promote healthy eating, as a school.



### Homework reminder:

- Children are asked to read at least 5 times a week. Please encourage your child to read a variety of books both fiction and non-fiction. This will improve their vocabulary and their writing tremendously. This half-term we will focus on an author's use of language and choice of words, and how we might describe a character or setting based on what we have read. When you read with your child at home, please check their understanding of new or tricky words to help broaden their vocabulary.
- Mental magicians will be tested every week. Please ensure your child is learning these at home by regularly accessing **TT Rockstars**.
- **Children will be given homework on Thursday and it will be due in on Thursday. Please ensure that your child has their homework in school every Thursday.** This will comprise of reading comprehension/grammar activities, maths questions in their Maths practice book and spellings. Please support your child with their home learning. I will be running a Homework Club in Year 6 during lunchtime for those who may need support with their homework and for those who have failed to complete it on time.

**If your child has lost their TTRS username and password, please let us know and I will hand them it again.**

Please encourage your child to do the homework as the tasks now set will be supporting and underpinning their learning for the SATs tests. If there are any issues, then please do let me know. If you require any additional SATs practice materials then please contact me and I will be happy to provide these.

Year 6 will continue to come into school from **8:40 am every day except Friday, when they should arrive at 8.50 am.** Focused tasks will be set depending on need between 8:40 and 9:00 am. It is therefore important that your child arrives ready for an 8:40 am start.

During SATs week (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> May), I will be providing breakfast for the children, every morning before the tests. Please can the children be in school for **8.30am every day.**

As always, if there are any worries or concerns, or you just want to check how your child is getting on, please do come and see me.

Kindest regards,

Mrs D Williams

**Year 6 Teacher & Upper Key Stage 2 Leader**