



# Y3-6CB Curriculum Newsletter Spring Term

## Celebrating this last half term

We have had a very busy half term with the lead up to Christmas; joining in with both winter festivals, singing around the Christmas tree, Christmas dinner day and watching the pantomime. In addition to this, our Y3 children have enjoyed their sewing topic; having a go at making their own Christmas decoration using a range of stitches. Our Y4 children went to see 'defying gravity' on ice performance. Our Y5 children have revisited the 'space' project, by visiting the Wonderdome; which immersed them into experiencing space. Our Y6 children enjoyed 'Victorian day', where they got to dress up and experience the day as a Victorian child. Forest skills has been a new addition to this half term, where we have started to develop new skills. This will continue every Monday in January.

## Maths and English

Within Maths, we have been focusing on multiplication and division. Whilst some children have been working practically for this, others have been encouraged to apply their knowledge to using formal written methods. In addition to this, we have started 'fast maths' groups, which aim to improve speed of calculations. Each group has a bespoke target to help with counting, times tables and working at speed.

Within English, we have been working on creating our own stories, using previously taught skills throughout. We encouraged collaborative working for the planning stages, to help with generating ideas.

For our reading groups, each child accesses either a phonics group, sight reading group, or reading comprehension group. All reading books are selected to support with speed, fluency and understanding.

## PE Days

The IR PE lesson is on a Friday afternoon; this will be for those who are not integrating during this time. We also incorporate gross motor practise into our daily timetable, to support with movement.

If your child is integrating for their PE lesson, please check their year group newsletter for the PE days. For these lessons, they will need:

A NGJS PE top, dark shorts/tracksuit bottoms and appropriate footwear. These timings will be shared with you as soon as possible.

## Life skills

Life skills lessons will continue to be twice a week. One of these lessons focuses on developing independence skills; practising daily chores and tasks. The second life skills lesson focuses on understanding ourselves and others. Next half term will be a continuation of understanding emotions and friendships.

## Key dates

5/1/26 – School reopens

SEND Reviews on Wednesday mornings (the yearly overview has been sent – please check your emails for this).

Every Monday – Forest skills  
**Please send wellies, a waterproof coat, hat, scarf, gloves and if possible, waterproof trousers.**

7/1/25 - Robinwood Information Evening

19/1/25 - 21/1/25 – Y6 Robinwood

26/1/25 – Y6 SATS practice week

4/2/25 – Y3 Production (parents to watch)

11/2/25 & 12/2/25 – Parents evening (please book on ParentPay)

13/2/25 – Y4 Roman day (in school)

13/2/25 – Last day in school

23/2/25 – Back to school (and swimming starts)

## Contact

Please speak to the member of the team, or contact via email; [ir@nethergreen-jun.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:ir@nethergreen-jun.sheffield.sch.uk)

Please also check the Evidence for Learning (E4L) app for photo updates.