

BIRCH CLASS NEWS



Welcome back! The countdown to SATs is officially on! This is going to be an incredibly important half term for our Year 6's and I am so impressed with how they have taken everything on board! Come on Year 6, let's smash these SATs!

CLASS REMINDERS

- Drop off time is between 8.40am and 8.55am
- Our pick up time in Year 6 is 3.20pm from the quad area by the playground
- If you wish for your child to walk home without an adult collecting them, please ensure you email the academy office.
 We cannot let anyone walk home without prior confirmation.
- All children must have a water bottle in school each day.
- Tuck is priced at 25p per item £1.25
 for a week. Tuck orders and payment
 will be taken on a Monday for the rest
 of the week. Your child will need to
 place their order and payment will be
 on School Money.
- Please ensure that all long hair is tied up each day.
- Please ensure all uniform and PE kit are labelled with your child's full name.
- If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to email me at:

hannah.spencer@gentleshawprimary.academy

Summer Term 1

During our English lessons we will be continuing to refine our non-fiction skills during our persuasive writing unit, before swapping our writing style where we will be writing a story. We will also be dedicating our time to practicing all of the SPAG skills that we will need.

In Maths we will be continuing to practise our arithmetic skills—under timed conditions—to ensure that we are fluent in the four operations, fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be finalising our last units, including shape and statistics. We will also have daily exposure to SATs style questions.

As we get closer to the SATs week, we will be utilising every moment of the school day to revise the areas needed for successfully prepping for SATs. This will mean that afternoon sessions will be dedicated to extra Maths, or SPaG or Reading revision, as we know how important it is for the children to maximise their learning time.

Alongside this, it is imperative that the homework in which we send out, is completed of the night and brought back into school the following morning. If there are any tasks that your child is struggling with, please ensure you remind them to let myself know the following morning so that I can revisit it with your child. I:I sessions with your child on areas that they are finding tricky, will be incredibly beneficial!





Miss Spencer's Author of the Month is Vashti Hardy who wrote our class text of:



Number of words children would have heard by the age of 5 if they were:



Never read to: 4,662 words

Read to 1–2 times per 63,570 words

Read to 3–5 times per 169,520 words



296,660 words

Read 5 books per day: 1,483,300 words



P.E Our P.E days are...



Monday & Wednesday

On these days your child must come to school for the day in: plain black joggers, leggings or shorts (no logos please), their P.E t-shirt and an academy jumper or academy hoodie. They can also wear their trainers for the whole day.



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have heard by the

time they were

years old:



Key dates for your diary:

Monday 13th May—Thursday **17th May 2024**—Year 6 SATs

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Please ensure that your child is attending the after school booster session. (Your child has been invited to either a Tuesday or Wednesday session).