



January 2026

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Spring Term; we trust you had wonderful Christmas holidays and are feeling refreshed! Once again, we have a jam-packed term planned and we are looking forward to lots of hard work and fun. For your information, you will find on the reverse of this letter our topic web that outlines our areas of study for the forthcoming term.

Here are a few important events and reminders for this term:

- With the upcoming SATs in mind it is very important that children are reading to an adult at home on a regular basis. The questions and discussion part of these short reading sessions are key in encouraging children to delve deeper into the texts and to begin to think about how they could apply techniques to their own writing. Regular recording on Boom Reader varies a great deal from child-to-child and this is the only way we can track home reading, so please do keep this up-to-date.
- We will be hosting a SATS meeting for parents on Monday 19th January at 2:45pm.

Home Learning for Year 6

We expect the children to do about half an hour each evening of home learning. They have set home learning tasks each Monday (handed in by Wednesday) and Wednesday (handed in by Friday), plus additional reading and spellings to do three times weekly. Here is an explanation of how a typical week is organised:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Maths Facts (30 mins)	Spellings (15 mins) Reading (15 mins)	SPaG (30 mins)	Spellings (15 mins) Reading (15 mins)	Spellings (15 mins) Reading (15 mins) Additional Home Learning Tasks

We also recommend that the children practise additional maths tasks regularly. They can spend a session on Mathematics; write out their times-tables; play number games; do some baking and measures work; help themselves to a maths sheet from school; or play online maths games. We will also provide a daily maths activities book for the children to work through at home if they have time.

In addition to the above, the weekly home learning sheets will also direct the children towards some enrichment tasks. These tasks are optional, but the children will have the opportunity to share any completed tasks with their classmates.

Spellings

A new spelling list is sent home each Friday to be tested the following Friday. We usually send home ten spellings which follow a lesson where we have explicitly investigated the rules in detail. The children will be tested on these ten words. These words will be linked to activities on Spelling Shed.

Here are also a couple of reminders:

- P.E. this term is scheduled for Tuesday and Friday each week but full P.E kits must be in school every day as these days are flexible depending on the weather and special events each week.
- Children are asked to bring to school a small pencil case containing a named pencil, a black, fibre-tipped handwriting pen, a rubber, a 30cm ruler, a whiteboard pen and a glue stick.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to say that should you have any questions, concerns or worries please do not hesitate to e-mail the class addresses (6DC@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk / 6DS@pirbright.surrey.sch.uk) or telephone the office to leave us a message and we will get back to you.

Yours sincerely,
Mr Smith

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