

Parent Curriculum Event

Year 6, September 2026



Agenda

1. Welcome to the Year Team
2. Celebrating success at Avonwood
3. Curriculum and Key Dates (Autumn Term)
4. Timetables and Routines
5. Home Learning
6. Annual Reminders

Avonwood Senior Leadership Team



Mr Jackson
Headteacher



Mrs Williams
Deputy Headteacher & DSL



Mr Jackson-Taylor
Deputy Headteacher



Miss Sloane
Assistant Headteacher & SENDCo



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Celebrating Success



Reasons to feel proud...

- Continued strong academic performance
- Consistently excellent attendance
- Beautiful school grounds / building with continued capital investment
- Highly oversubscribed
- Brilliant PTA events
- Happy children, parents and staff
- Bucking trends!
- #TeamAvonwood Spirit



Academic Results...



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EYFS - GLD

	Avonwood	United Learning	National
GLD	80%	73%	68% (2025)



Year 1 Phonics

	Avonwood	United Learning	National
GLD	88%	84%	80% (2025)



Year 4 Multiplication Check

	Avonwood	United Learning	National
GLD	54%	Unknown	37% (2025)



Year 6 Outcomes

	Expected+			Greater Depth		
	Avonwood	National	Difference	Avonwood	National	Difference
Reading	86%	75%	+11%	43%	TBC	
Writing	88%	73%	+15%	24%	TBC	
Maths	88%	75%	+13%	45%	TBC	
Grammar	82%	74%	+8%	24%	TBC	
Combined	79%	63%	+16%	21%	TBC	



Welcome to Year 6

Curriculum briefing for the Autumn Term



Welcome to Year 6 Team



Mrs King
Everest Class
Teacher



Mrs Rich and Mrs Turner
Snowdon Class Teachers



Mrs Collins
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Hughes
Teaching Assistant



Miss Prague
Teaching Assistant

Curriculum & Key Dates

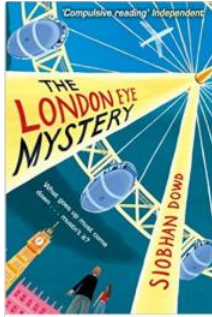
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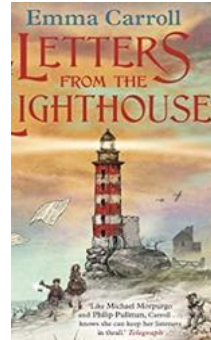
Curriculum Overview

- Recapping previous learning from all of KS2.
- **Science:** light and electricity; evolution and inheritance; living things and their habitats; animals including humans; chemical reactions.
- **History:** Anglo-Saxons; Vikings; British Empire; recap of World War 2.
- **Geography:** improving the environment; comparison of environments; geographical fieldwork.
- **R.E.:** Theology (Christianity); Social Sciences (Sikhism); Philosophy.
- **D&T:** textiles; upcycled products; cooking and nutrition.
- **Art & design:** recycled materials; displacement; art and identity.
- **Music:** singing; keyboards; Djembe drumming.
- **Forest School Fridays:** Autumn 1

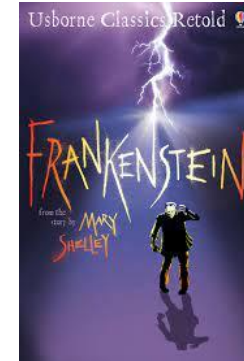
Key texts studied in Year 6



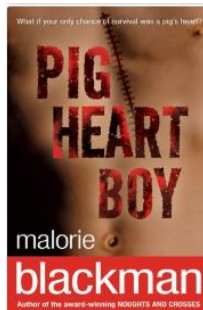
The London Eye Mystery
Siobhan Dowd
Year 6 – Autumn 1



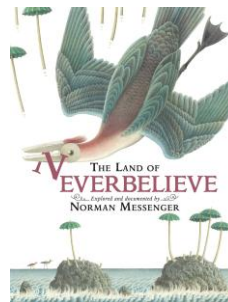
Letters from the Lighthouse
Emma Carroll
Year 6 – Autumn 2



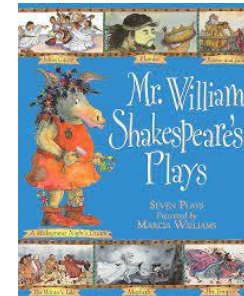
Frankenstein
Mary Shelley
Year 6 – Spring 1



Pig Heart Boy
Malorie Blackman
Year 6 – Spring 2



The Land of Neverbelieve
Norman Messenger
Year 6 – Summer 1



Macbeth
William Shakespeare
Year 6 – Summer 2



Examples of trips and visits for this term and the year ahead

Trips:

- Sports fixtures
- Buddens (**May 2027**)

Visitors/visits/dress-up days:

- Display of English, DT and STEAM work to parents/carers (**Friday 23rd October**)
- Bikeability opportunities (**more information coming soon**)
- National Holocaust Centre online visit (**December - more information coming soon**)
- Ancient Technology Centre (Viking and Anglo-Saxons)



Whole school events:

- Online author events
- World Book Week author



Key dates for your diary

Whole school
Year 6 only

Autumn 1:

- ⇒ **Forest School Fridays this half term** – for children who are participating, please send them into school in appropriate non-uniform which doesn't matter if it gets a bit messy! They will also need to ensure they have a coat each week.
- ⇒ **Monday 14th September 3:15-4:00** - Meet the teacher presentation in classrooms.
- ⇒ **Tuesday 29th September and Thursday 1st October** – Parents' evening (in person). Please note that **Everest** class will have their parents' evenings on **Monday 28th September** and **Thursday 1st October**.
- ⇒ **1st or 2nd October** – individual photos (Year 6 date TBC)
- ⇒ **Week beginning Monday 5th October** – Year 6 Bikeability sessions for those signed up – exact dates/times for individuals TBC
- ⇒ **Monday 19th – Friday 23rd October** – STEAM week
- ⇒ **Friday 23rd October** – parents and carers are invited into school at the end of the day to celebrate STEAM week work and any other year group projects

A brief view of upcoming dates for Autumn 2:

- ⇒ **Saturday 7th November** - Fireworks
- ⇒ **Monday 14th December** – online National Holocaust experience (Leo's Journey – age appropriate). School time – children only.



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Forest School

- Part of our #InspiringWonder ethos... bringing learning outdoors.
- Always links to current curriculum in relevant ways.
- Skills progression passport in place, PTA funded
- Free for pupil premium families
- Opt in, £20 for a half term of sessions.
- Suitable non uniform **only for those attending**
- Ambition for everyone to attend
- If struggling financially but would like your child to attend, reach out.
- Any not attending in class, following usual curriculum with the teacher.



Timetable & Routines

Autumn Term briefing, 2026



Year 6 at a glance

Morning drop off:

- Doors open at 08:40 → 'early work'
- Doors close at 08:50 → registration

End of the day pick up:

- Generally DEAR from 15:00
- Doors open at 15:15

PE days:

- Wednesday
- Thursday

Homework (same cycle across the school):

- Issued on Friday
- Due the next Thursday
- CGP books

Pick Up and Drop Off



- Punctual
- Walking side by side
- Supervising at all times
- Walk to School Agreements – Years 5 & 6 only



Weekly Timetable

Weekly Timetable – Autumn 1

Year Group: 6

Day / Time	Arrival 08:40-09:00	Session 1 09:00-10:00	Session 2 09:45-10:45	Break 10:45-11:00	Session 3 11:00-12:00	Lunch 12:00-13:00	Session 4 13:00-13:15	Session 5 13:15-14:00	Session 6 14:00-15:00	Session 7 15:00-15:15
Monday	Morning Learning	Maths	English	BREAK	Reading	LUNCH	DEAR	13:15-13:45 Spelling	13:45-14:35 RE	14:40-14:55 Assembly
Tuesday	Morning Learning/ 1 class times tables quiz	Maths	Reading		English		Times tables	13:10-13:40 Arithmetic	13:40-14:45 Science	14:50-15:05 Assembly
Wednesday	Morning Learning/ 1 class times tables quiz	Maths	Reading		English		Rotation: Music PE			DEAR
Thursday	Morning Learning	English	Reading		Maths		Times tables	PE	History/DT	DEAR
Friday	Morning Learning	Rotation morning: Forest school	English		Maths		First Chapter Friday	Spanish	History/DT	14:50-15:05 Assembly

PSHE – taught in bulk first week back
Computing day



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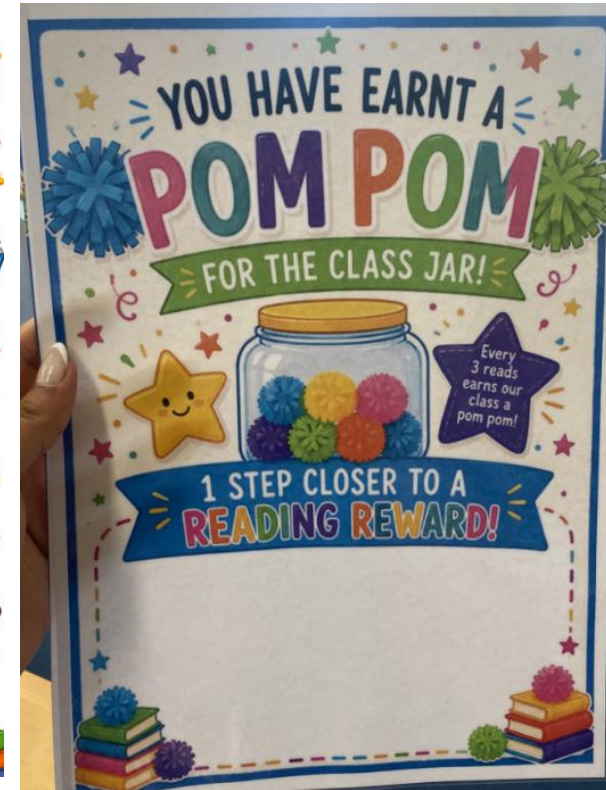
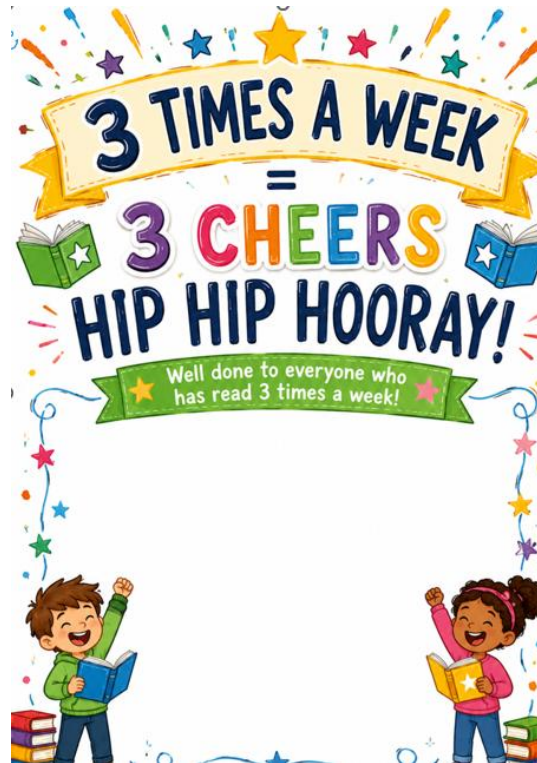
Home Learning Expectations

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Reading at Home Expectation

- Children are now expected to read **3 times out of a 7-day week** – they do not need to be consecutive days e.g. Monday, Wednesday and Saturday
- All children who have read 3 times will receive a pom pom for the jar.
- Display now in class is ...



Online Reading Record: Key Stage 2

- All KS2 will be using the online reading record. Parents can still use the paper version if they prefer.
- Parents will receive their first email link on Monday 14th September to give parents time to become familiar with the platform.

The digital reading log

How it works

1.

Click on the link in the email/text from Learning with Parents





2.

Read together with your child.

3.

Take and upload a **photo** or record an **audio clip** on Learning with Parents to **show your teacher how it went.**



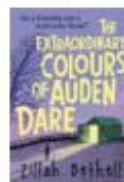
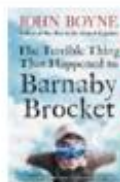
If you need any support please email hello@learningwithparents.com

Recommended Reads

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Additional Challenge Recommended Reads



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Recommended Reads



3 BOOKS

15% Off Voucher for Pop-Up
Bookshop +
exclusive super reader sticker &
bookmark!

Read:
3 books from Reading List



6 BOOKS

25% Off Voucher for Pop-Up
Bookshop +
exclusive super reader sticker &
badge!

Read:
6 books from Reading List



10 BOOKS

50% Off Voucher for Pop-Up
Bookshop +
exclusive super reader sticker &
free book gifted from school!

Read:
10 books from Reading List



EXTRA 5 BOOKS

£5 Book Voucher to spend at Pop-
Up Bookshop!
+ exclusive super reader sticker!

Read:
All 10 books from Reading List
+ 5 books from Additional
Challenge

[CLAIM MY CHILD'S READING REWARD HERE](#)



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Home Learning: activities in addition to reading

- Cycle: issued Friday, due Thursday
- Focus: consolidation and fluency
- Home-learning policy on school website
- Website: Parents → Homework → Year group

Tasks/activities in addition to reading at home daily:

Activity	Expectation
Doodle Maths	5x 10min sessions a week
Spellings	Around 15 minutes a week via Spelling Shed
'Times Tables Rockstars'	5x 10min sessions a week
*CGP SATs revision guides	Around 30 minutes per week Collected in every fortnight

**An overview of the CGP tasks will be shared at the beginning of every half term via:*

- ⇒ Parent curriculum information event at the start of the half term
- ⇒ Sending to parents electronically
- ⇒ Publishing on the website
- ⇒ Giving children a paper copy.

How you can help...

- Read **every day** with your child.
- Assist with homework if necessary (refer to our policies online).
- Help them to establish a routine and develop ownership of this as the year goes on – e.g. homework first then TV/gaming as a reward. Encourage independence.
- Routine – time management, relaxation etc.



Polite Annual Reminders

Updates for September 2026



Communication

- Always refer to our official website
- Weekly parent bulletin emailed home, always check the Year Group update section
- If in doubt, please talk to us!
- Instagram feeds. We aim for a minimum update of once a week – **avonwood.year6**
- If you would like to contact your class teacher, please email the office and they will forward on

office@avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk



Smart Uniform Expectations

- Hair Styles
- Nails & Piercings
- Jewellery
- PE Tops & Caps
- Sensible Coat
- Navy cap
- PE Shorts



- Note: Second Hand Uniform Shop

Pastoral Support

- Mrs Sainsbury available at drop off and pick up
- Keen to help, do reach out
- Email: pastoralteam@avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk



SEND Support

- Speak to the Class Teachers first, keen to help
- Mrs Morling, SEND Assistant, next port of call
- Email: sendsupport@avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk
- Awareness of demand, will always do our best to respond within 2 working days
- Miss Sloane, SENDCo, works Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays



Miss Sloane, Assistant
Head and SENDCo



Mrs Morling, SEND Assistant
and Qualified SENDCo

Office Queries

- Email: office@avonwoodprimaryschool.org.uk
- Aim to respond within 2 working days
- Phone: 01202 727910



Mrs Wallace, Office Manager



Mrs Bowden, Office
Admin Assistant



Mrs Crook, Office Admin
Assistant

Reporting Absence

- Must be via phone: 01202 727910
- Call between 8am and 8:30am, leaving a voicemail is fine
- Please do not email in absence, always call



Term time leave requests

- Statutory guidance around term time holidays is more robust than ever
- Fines have increased, along with risks of prosecution
- Please always discuss with the Headteacher in advance, avoiding unfortunate surprises (e.g. fines)
- Exceptional circumstances form on our website or via school office



Lunches & snacks

- Healthy snacks (fruit/vegetables)
- Lunches must be booked online via parent pay, two working days in advance.
- Nut Free School
- Water bottle



E-Safety Advice

- Make sure home broadband is filtered
- Make sure parental settings activated on any mobile device, if in doubt visit a mobile shop on the high street
- Take care with exposure to computer games / YouTube / TikTok
- Chat function within games – avoid headphones, listen in.
- WhatsApp – avoid where possible (PEGI rating: 13+)
- Parent to Parent Responsibility



Smart Mobile Phones

- Smart Mobile Phones are prohibited on site
- Exceptional circumstances form available
- Parent support on this matter is hugely appreciated
- Many secondary schools now imposing full bans
- If your child has a phone, strongly recommend an old-fashioned Nokia style phone



Avonwood PTA Team



- Everyone welcome
- Ideally one rep from every class
- Special events rely on community support & help
- Saturday 7th November – Fireworks event (help needed)

If in doubt, reach out...

- SLT on the gate daily
- Teachers / Staff available on the classroom door
- Mrs Sainsbury / Mrs Morling for Pastoral and SEND queries



What does it mean to be 'Secondary Ready'?



Being Secondary Ready

SATs

Achieving the expected standard in all 3 of Reading, Writing and Maths means that your child will be able to access the KS3 curriculum and be on a trajectory for further success

Attendance and Behaviour

Establishing the right habits, for example being at school, on time, every day, and following the school's behaviour expectations will ensure that your child develops the independence and self-discipline needed for Y7

Year 6 SATs

- Children will be sitting their SATs in May (**Monday 10th – Thursday 13th 2027**)
- Statutory requirement from the government
- Preparation happens in all lessons for the whole year
- We provide lots of extra support e.g. keeping children and parents informed of how well they are doing, small group and individual support, tailored homework



Year 6 SATs

Each child will be required to sit six papers:

- Grammar, spelling and punctuation paper
- Spelling test
- Reading comprehension
- Arithmetic paper
- Two maths reasoning (word problem) papers

Writing remains teacher assessed

Tick one box in each row to show whether the commas are used correctly in the sentence.

Sentence	Commas used correctly	Commas used incorrectly
The blackbird, which nests in sheltered places, lays several eggs at a time.		
Her hobbies include walking, gardening, sewing and reading.		
My bag filled with chocolates and sweets fell onto the floor.		
My case is heavy because I have shoes, clothes, books, and a gift, for my friend in it.		

Spelling

Write the word in the correct box.

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Write the word in the correct box.

This table shows the heights of three mountains.

Mountain	Height in metres
Mount Everest	8,848
Mount Kilimanjaro	5,895
Ben Nevis	1,344

How much higher is Mount Everest than the combined height of the other two mountains?

Show your method.

Answer: _____ m

Year 6 SATs

- Past papers once a half term – focus on format and different test techniques
- Mock SATs week so that children know exactly how it will run.
- Results are issued in July with end of year report
- Information will be passed onto secondary schools, however, children tend to be retested by their new schools

Moving to Secondary School

Transfer Application and Making Links



Secondary School Admissions – How to Apply

- Finding a secondary school is very similar to picking a primary school.
- BCP Admissions Portal – closing date 31st October 2026
- Visits and Open Evenings
- Grammar Tests – Saturday 26th September 2026



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Any questions?

