

KS2 Welcome Meeting

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Wednesday 16th September 2026

5pm

Agenda

- Staffing
- Curriculum Approach
- School Uniform
- Equipment
- Homework - reading, spellings, maths, TTRS
- Year group specific information

Staffing

- Mrs Todd and Mrs Jones will teach Year 3/4 (Rashford)
- Mr Gargiulo Year 4/5 (Parks)
- Mrs Pilkington will teach 6 (Johnson)
- Mrs Lockwood is supporting with maths in KS2
- Mrs Lockwood and Mrs Thompson cover PPA for KS2 classes

Approach to Curriculum

We will continue to deliver an exciting, varied and engaging curriculum tailored to our children.

- is a curriculum for Dunnington which focuses on the people, places and events most relevant to our pupils whilst identifying and concentrating on potential gaps in their knowledge and cultural experiences
- ensures the progressive acquisition of both substantive and disciplinary knowledge across year groups
- further curriculum information can be found on our school website

English and Maths

We are not changing the way these subjects are taught and year groups will be targeted within their classes.

We will continue to use the NCETM spines to deliver maths, teaching the children the objectives within their year group.

We will continue to follow the Ashley Booth Reading Curriculum, covering fiction and non-fiction texts whilst selecting other high quality texts to fit in with curriculum areas as appropriate.

We will continue to use the principles of the York Writing Project to teach writing with a renewed focus on genre and grammatical progression across year groups - this is a key focus of our school development plan.

Uniform

The school uniform is:

- dark grey or black school trousers, skirts, pinafore skirts or shorts (not sports trousers)
- a school sweat top or cardigan in red or blue
- a white polo shirt or school shirt
- a red or blue polo shirt embroidered with the school logo
- sensible shoes or non-branded trainers
- a summer dress (optional) in red or blue check/stripes
- wellies brought in for outdoor wet play
- waterproof jacket (and trousers if you wish!)

Please ensure all items are clearly named

Coat in school everyday!

PE Kit

- Y4/5 Parks - Tues/Fri
- Y3/4 Rashford - Weds/Thurs
- Y6 Johnson - Thursday / Friday

PE kit : plain white t-shirt, dark shorts/joggers, socks and pumps or trainers.

No part of the school uniform should be worn as part of the PE kit. We want children to be comfortable and safe.

- A tracksuit / leggings and a water bottle is advisable
- Shorts should be the longer length style, thank you
- Jewellery should **not** be worn (ideally removed at home). Earrings must be removed by the child. Staff cannot remove or tape earrings. If earrings cannot be removed, parents should send a note giving consent for ears to be taped over. Parents will also need to provide the micropore tape.

PE

- Hockey
- Tennis
- Dance
- Netball
- Gymnastics
- Athletics
- Striking and fielding games

Water Bottles and Equipment

- Please make sure your child has a named **water bottle** in school everyday. These will be kept within the classroom for children to access.
- Please encourage your child to bring their bottle home to be cleaned!
- Lockers - are for school bags, wellies and coats
- Pencil Cases:
 - Y3/4 Rashford- no pencil cases required
 - Y4/5 and Y6 pencil cases must fit in trays.

Staff are not responsible for the contents of pencil cases.

- PE kit - please ensure that your child is wearing correct PE kit on their PE days
- Toys, squashies and other 'toy' items should not be brought into school. If children have something particular to share, this should be named and given to the class teacher for safe keeping.

Homework: KS2 Reading

- Children should read at least 3 times a week for 10-15 minutes.
- Record reading in your reading record book. These will be checked regularly.
- Even better- aim to read every day!
- Reading book and record – in school every day, thank you.
- Children are never too old to be read to!
- Independent reading - read and understand 9/10 words

Books for topics - recommended year group reads can be found here: <https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/>

Homework: KS2 Spelling

- Spellings will be sent home for the half-term and checked every Friday
- Children will be given a set of words that follow a particular letter pattern or spelling rule, that have been taught in school
- Some spellings will be generated personalised word lists and sent home as a paper copy on the Monday, to be tested on Friday

Homework: KS2 Maths

- Year 5 and 6 will have arithmetic rules or key knowledge tasks to practise, which will be revised through the week, and tested on a Friday. **Sheet sent home on a Monday.** Maths homework will be checked on a Friday.
- All children are expected to practice on **Times Table Rockstars** regularly. Important for all year groups.
- Year 4 Statutory multiplication check May/ June 2027.

Homework folders & club

- Children in Year 5 and Year 6 have been provided with a homework folder to encourage organisation and independence
- Please note, that it is their responsibility to bring their folder to school daily
- Homework Club for Y5 and Y6 - Wednesday lunchtime for anyone needing some support of a quiet space to work

Residential: Year 6

- Year 6 Low Mill (information will be sent out later in the year)



Y6 Curriculum expectations and SATs

- The National Curriculum is available online
- Greater emphasis on spelling, grammar and punctuation, written mathematical methods, times tables and more complex work on fractions
- **SATs for Year 6** will be **Monday 10th May 2027** (separate meeting for Y6 parents beforehand - date to be sent out)
- Please don't use tests from the past few years, e.g. from 2019 as we use these in school
- Grammar and Punctuation test (45 minutes)
- Spelling test
- Reading test (60 minutes)
- Maths – Arithmetic (30 minutes)
- Maths Paper 2 and 3 are reasoning tests (40 minutes per test)
- Writing – internally assessed (external moderation)

Visits

- We intend that there will be planned visits throughout Key Stage 2. We are currently working on this!
- Contributions towards trips really help them to run
- Visits information will be sent out as appropriate throughout the year

Thank you for your continued support and for attending this evening.

Any questions?