



Dashwood Banbury Academy
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Welcome to Year 6
Chestnut Class
Mrs Bunn, Mrs Taylor &
Mrs Khan



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Looking forward to an exciting new year...



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Welcome to Year 6 - Chestnut class

- The last year group in Key Stage Two - you are still part of upper Key Stage 2 here at Dashwood.
- The Year 6 curriculum is jam packed and some topics that we will cover include: WW2, Black History, Microorganisms, The Human Body to name a few...! (Please see full details on LTP handout on Dashwood website)
- Year 6 is most commonly known as 'The SATs' year group.
- **SATS (Standard Assessment Tests / end of Key Stage 2 assessments) take place in May (no holiday here! Monday 12th May - Thursday 15th May 2025 - different papers, SPaG, Maths and Reading)**
- Rock UK paperwork and payments should all be complete now - we will be having a parent meeting on 23rd September at 2:45 to go through final arrangements
- Homework expectations: Weekly reading, homework packs (normally consisting of grammar, reading and maths practice) plus TTRS time. Due in Thursdays / given out Fridays



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Routines new to Year 6

In the morning - September 2024

8.45 - Doors open - pupils can arrive to school on their own if you allow

- come into our classroom. A staff member will greet them at the classroom door (*They can walk to school on their own providing we have a completed permission slip!*)

Most morning sessions consists of a grammar/spelling/reading sessions, Literacy and Maths lessons.

Break time - 10:40 - 11am -(children can bring tuck shop money on a Mon/Wed/Fri - no more than £1)

Lunch is 12.45 - 1.30 - We go out to play first and come into the hall at 1:05pm to eat

If your child has a packed lunch, please ensure this is healthy . + healthy snacks for break time!

The afternoon sessions include creative curriculum (topic) work, Spanish, computing, DT, art or Physical Education.



Walking Home & Mobile Phones



At the end of the day: **Year 6 children can walk home - please give permission for this to happen through the office by filling out a permission form.** If you are picking your child up, please wait outside the classroom. If they have forgotten something, please just wait a couple of minutes for the rest of the children to leave before coming back in to collect things. Please do not enter the cloakroom areas. This helps us to keep all the children safe.

Mobile phones: If your child needs to bring their mobile device to school because they are walking home on their own, this is handed in at the beginning of the day, sent to the office and given back at the end of the day. **Under no circumstances can pupils keep phones on them nor should they be used on site at the beginning or end of the day.**



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Meet the adults in the Year group

- Mrs Bunn & Mrs Taylor will be the main teachers in Chestnut class this year.
- Mrs Khan will be the teaching assistant in Chestnut class, although she will work with pupils across both Year 6 classes

- Mr Shaw will be the main teacher in Oak class, next door.
- Miss Rudina will be the teaching assistant in Oak class, although she will work with pupils across both Year 6 classes

- In Year 6 children primarily work in their main class, with their main teacher. Although we do work towards children receiving the best outcomes and they are likely to work with all teachers and TAs in the year group at some point. As well as with other teachers, HLTAs and TAs for PPA/ leadership cover.



Line of communication



Should you have any issues or wish to pass on any feedback in regards to your child's education, we hope you will find that most of this can be sorted through discussing with their main class teacher. You can either wait and speak to them at the beginning / end of the day or send an email to:

office@dashwood-aspirations.org

This will be passed to them.

You may also be able to leave a comment on Seesaw, although this isn't always checked daily.

If there are any other issues regarding behavior or pupil welfare you might find yourself contacted by one of the following:

- Class teacher / Teaching assistant
- Key stage lead
(Mr Shaw)
- Welfare and Inclusion officer
(Katy Bennett)
- Assistant Principal
(Mrs Taylor / Mrs Bunn)
- Deputy Head teacher
(Miss Gooch)
- Head teacher
(Mrs Gordon-Weeks)



Mrs Bunn

Dashwood history

Favourite subject
to teach / topic
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Hobbies



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Trips & Performances



Rock UK is the main trip in Year 6 - you already have the information for this trip.

Horton hospital visit for IMPS trip - October (free)

Junior Citizens - Oxford - around £5 (January)

End of year trip - around £20 (July)

End of year celebration - around £5 (July)

Year 6 take part in a Year group play that we rehearse and perform in term 6.



Key Dates:

- Rock UK -

21st - 23rd October - Oak class

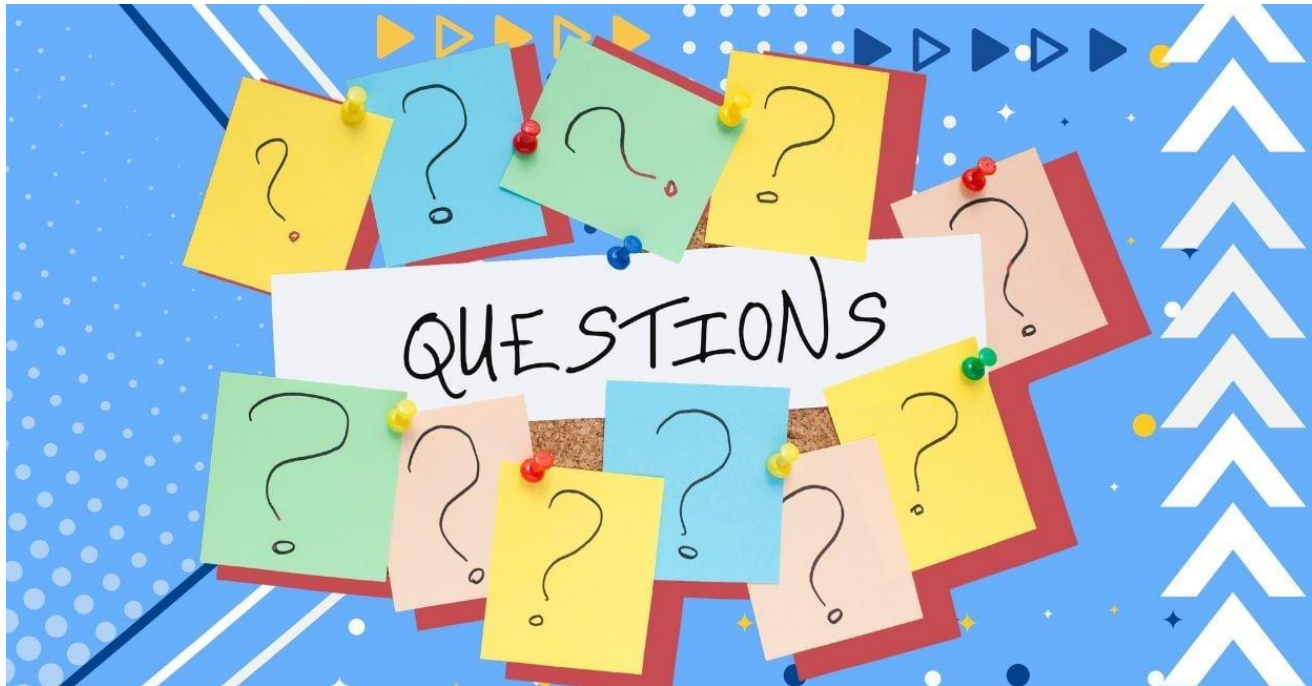
23rd - 25th October - Chestnut class

*This might be a different date to the one you had initially depending on if they were in Sycamore or Beech class

- **Secondary school application deadline October 31st 2024**
- The statutory key stage 2 tests are timetabled from Monday 12 May to Thursday 15 May 2025.



Any Questions???



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