



**COUNTESS
GYTHA**
PRIMARY
SCHOOL

Countess Gytha Primary School Curriculum Information

Year

**Lancelot Class
Y5/Y6**

Term

Summer 2025

Dear Parents,

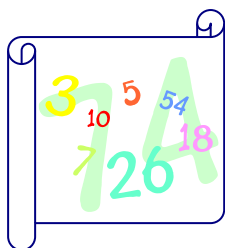
This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	This term the children will be developing writing skills across a range of narrative and non-fiction genres; reading comprehension skills with emphasis on inference and deduction; on-going grammar and punctuation skills, handwriting, spelling strategies and rules. Our class books this term will be <i>Boy in the Tower</i> by Polly Ho-Yen, <i>The Final Year</i> by Matt Goodfellow and <i>The Undeclared</i> by Kwame Alexander. Our writing will be inspired by these books.
Mathematics	In maths, the children will be solving real life word problems; understanding number; calculating; measuring; statistics (handling data); geometry (understanding shape). Emphasis on using and applying knowledge and skills to investigative tasks.
Science	In science, we will be focusing on Forces. Children will learn about the use of mechanisms such as levers, gears and pulleys; identify forces and find out about Isaac Newton and his discoveries about gravity; looking for patterns and links between the mass and weight of objects, using newton meters to measure the force of gravity; complete investigations about air and water resistance, participating in challenges to design the best parachute and boat; discussing how variables other than the one being tested can be kept the same to help make a test fair.
History	This term we will be focusing on Britain Now and Then. In this engaging unit, children will explore how British life has changed from the Stone Age to modern times. They'll investigate key historical periods, such as Roman Britain and post-WWII Britain, comparing changes in childhood, education, travel, and daily life, while developing important historical enquiry and source analysis skills.
RE	In RE, the children will focus on Islam. They will look at what it means to belong to a religion - Islam; key beliefs of Islam, how Muslims celebrate and live out their beliefs; exploration of the different aspects of Islamic life.
PE	In PE, the children will be focusing on Athletics, Tennis, Cricket and Rounders.
Languages	Le monstre a faim: children will be looking at days of the week, colours, size adjectives and objects.
D & T and Art	In D&T and art this term, the children will be working with Mr Plumley on the props for our school play.
Music	The children will also be working on the end of year performance. They will perform with confidence using voice and instruments, both solo and in groups, showing control and expression; sing in tune with clear diction, maintaining rhythm and pitch in unison and harmony parts: compose and arrange simple musical accompaniments for scenes or transitions using tuned and untuned instruments; listening with attention to detail, identifying how music is used to create atmosphere or signal events.

Welcome to the Summer Term!

Welcome back to the Summer Term. I hope you have had a fantastic Easter holiday and enjoyed a restful break. The children worked incredibly hard last term and have made great progress since the beginning of the year. We are really looking forward to hitting the ground running and having a great term. We have so much to look forward to: National Assessments Week, Residential, the School play, Leavers' Assembly and much more. If you have any questions, please come and see me at the end of the school day.

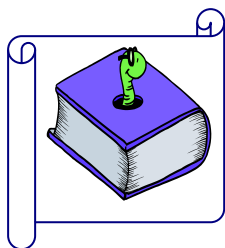
Homework



MATHS

Children will receive Maths homework (CGP books) on a Friday to be handed in by Wednesday.

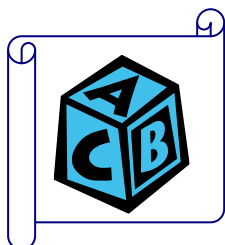
Booster homework will be set for Year 6 children on a Thursday to be brought in the following Thursday for the next booster session.



ENGLISH

Children will receive English homework (CGP books) on a Friday to be handed in by Wednesday.

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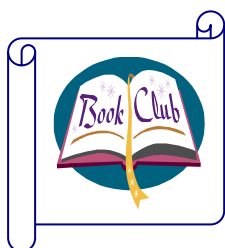


SPELLING

Weekly spelling tests will be set every Friday and tested the following Friday.

Spellings should be learned everyday, including lists from previous weeks.

Children should be able to spell all words from the Y5/6 statutory Word List. A copy of this can be found on our class webpage.



READING

Reading books and homework should be brought to school and taken home every day.

Children should read at least 15 minutes per day at home, including some reading to an adult. Children to record daily reading in homework diaries and parents to sign weekly.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- ♦ Mr Gordon will be teaching the Year 5 children on a Wednesday afternoon, whilst Mr Gallagher and Mrs Sherry deliver booster sessions for Year 6.
- ♦ Additional homework from other subjects will also be set as required. In preparation for secondary school, it is very important that children get used to managing a higher workload.
- ♦ Please ensure your child has a named school PE kit in school at all times. PE will take place on Mondays and Fridays.
- ♦ In addition, Year 6 pupils have the opportunity to play football or other games on the field at lunchtimes throughout the year. Spare sports clothes and footwear are required for lunchtime field activities.
- ♦ Should you need to discuss anything, then please do get in touch with the school office or in person to arrange a suitable time.