

Welcome to Year 6

Staffing – subject to change

Miss Moore

Nicaragua

Mr Husbands

Argentina Mon-Weds

Miss Allen

Argentina Thurs and Fri

Mr Kelly

Additional teacher

Mrs Husbands

Spanish – Thurs pm

Mr Nehra

PE – Thurs pm

Mr Knott

Year 6 TA

Senior leadership team

Mrs Kelly – head teacher

Mrs Griffiths – deputy head teacher

Miss Lynch – assistant head teacher

Miss Moore – assistant head teacher

Mrs Mee – SENCO and KS1 phase leader

Mr Husbands – reading and KS2 phase leader

Topics

Autumn term – World War II

Spring 1 - Ancient Maya

Spring 2 – Eyam and the Plague

Summer term – Volcanoes and Earthquakes

Trips

Autumn 1 - 23rd September – World War II Evacuee day at Perlethorpe Centre;
7th October - visitor from National Holocaust Museum – £17.50 for both

Spring 2 – a trip to the village of Eyam to learn about the plague, including a talk in the local Church. Approximate cost £10

16th – 18th June – Beaudesert residential. Approximate cost £210

Summer 2 – reward trip e.g. cinema and McDonalds. Approximate cost £10

To be confirmed – a trip to raise awareness about the dangers of knife crime as a mock trial. Approximate cost £10

Costings for trips will be sent out via the office and can be paid for in weekly instalments.

Uniform

Please label all uniform with your child's name.

Children are expected to have a plain pair of black school shoes.

Please ensure your child does not wear any jewellery to school except for a pair of stud earrings.

Children should not wear make-up or nail polish to school.

Speak to your class teacher if there are any questions or queries about uniform.

Children need a water bottle with water in it each day.

PE

PE is on Thursdays and Fridays each week.

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day. This includes:

- ☐ plain white t-shirt
- ☐ black or navy shorts, leggings or joggers
- ☐ trainers.

Children must be able to take out their own earrings. A letter must be filled in if they need to tape them up due to having them pierced recently.

If your child has long hair, please ensure they have something to tie it up with during PE sessions.

Behaviour policy

Positive behaviour will be rewarded with Golden Time sports on a Friday afternoon. Positive learning will continue to be rewarded with stampers and positive behaviours with tokens.

Time may be taken off golden time for negative behaviours or for forgetting PE kit, in order to prepare our children for secondary school.

Our behaviour policy includes parent, staff and children's views and we will continue to use a class behaviour chart with gold, silver, green, orange and red – all children's names will be on this. All children will start on green at the beginning of the day and at lunchtime. Children will move up to silver for excellent behaviour and gold for exceptional behaviours. Children on gold will go to SLT to showcase their learning, and receive a certificate home. Low-level behaviours will get two reminders and then move to orange and the child will have 5 minutes on the carpet to reflect. If the behaviour stops, they will move back to green. If the behaviour continues, they will be sent to a partner class for 10 minutes to reflect. If the behaviour continues after this, they will move to red and get sent to a member of SLT. If they are sent to their partner class or SLT, you will be informed. If the behaviour is severe, they will go straight to red and be sent to SLT.

There are individual behaviour systems in place for those children who need it and individual class rewards such as stickers and prizes.

Steps to Success

Our steps to success will continue to focus on one value each half-term:

teamwork, resilience, empathy, positivity, reflective and individuality.

Tokens/stampers will be awarded for displaying these values both in the classroom and around school.

There will be a house team assembly each half-term to focus on the value, and at the end of each half-term, there will be a special Star of the Week assembly, in which one child from each class will receive a certificate for demonstrating the focus value throughout the half-term. Parents of these children will be invited to celebrate with us.

Our focus for Autumn 1 is: teamwork.



Home Learning

Please continue to read regularly with your child at home. They can write in their home-school diary, but a parent/guardian needs to sign it weekly.

Support your child with learning their spellings.

If your child does not know all of their times tables, please encourage them to learn them. There are online games such as 'hit the button' that can help with this and each child will be given their Times Table Rock Stars password.

Your child's first home learning project is to make a diorama (scene) from WWII. This is due in on Friday 13th November. We will showcase these at our project outcome.



Project Outcomes

Each term, we will continue to showcase our learning through 'project outcomes.'

These are celebrations of each topic that your child has studied and will include things like art, children's work, music etc.

Our first one will be held on Thursday 3rd December at 3.30pm in the KS2 hall and will be a VE day party to celebrate your children's learning about World War II.



Allergies and inhalers

If a child develops a new allergy, please inform the school office straight away.

We are an allergy aware school, and a nut, sesame, fish and pea-free school. Please help to support us to keep all of our children safe by ensuring that if your child has a packed lunch, it is mindful of our allergies. Please be especially mindful of chocolate spread.

Snacks for breaktime must either be fresh fruit or vegetables.

Inhalers – children should be on the asthma register. Please fill in the inhaler form if your child has a new diagnosis.

Inhalers are kept in a box in the classroom where children can access them. They must tell an adult when using them, and a form will be sent home to tell you they have used their inhaler.

School will inform you if your child's inhaler runs out of date or becomes empty.

Walking home alone

Children in Year 6 are allowed to walk on their own from school to develop their independence – we encourage this mainly in the summer term.

You must communicate with your class teacher directly or through a note (e.g. in their home-school organiser) if you would like your child to walk on their own.

Children who walk on their own should not be collecting younger siblings.

If children are walking home alone and bring their phone into school, this must be turned off, dropped off at the office at the start of the day and collected from there at the end of the day. It is a safeguarding issue if they leave it in their bags, and they will receive reflection time at break if they do.

Online safety

Children in Year 6 often use big WhatsApp groups or Snapchat, which can cause issues between them when messaging and sending photos, videos etc.

Please check your child's phone regularly to ensure they are being safe and appropriate online and remind them that they need consent to send images of anyone else.

If any issues come into school that are online, these will be communicated to parents directly.

APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS

13+				16+	
	Facebook		Snapchat		WhatsApp
	Instagram		Twitter		
	TikTok		Kik		
	YouNow		Yubo		
	House Party		Monkey		
					Sarahah
					YOLO
					MeetMe
					LiveMe

Secondary School

Secondary applications must be made by 31st October.

If you need support with these, please speak to Mrs Lamb – Family Support Worker.

Your child will find out their secondary place around March.

Children will spend at least one full day at their new school in Summer 2. Extra transition days may be offered if needed.

Teachers will communicate clearly with secondary teachers about your child's transition.

Children will complete lots of secondary transition work in Summer 2.

SATs

Children will prepare for their SATs throughout the year. This is also to help them prepare for secondary school.

Some children may attend intervention or tutoring groups to help fill any gaps that they have.

Dates for SATs:

10th May – grammar, punctuation and spelling

11th May - reading

12th May – Maths arithmetic and reasoning

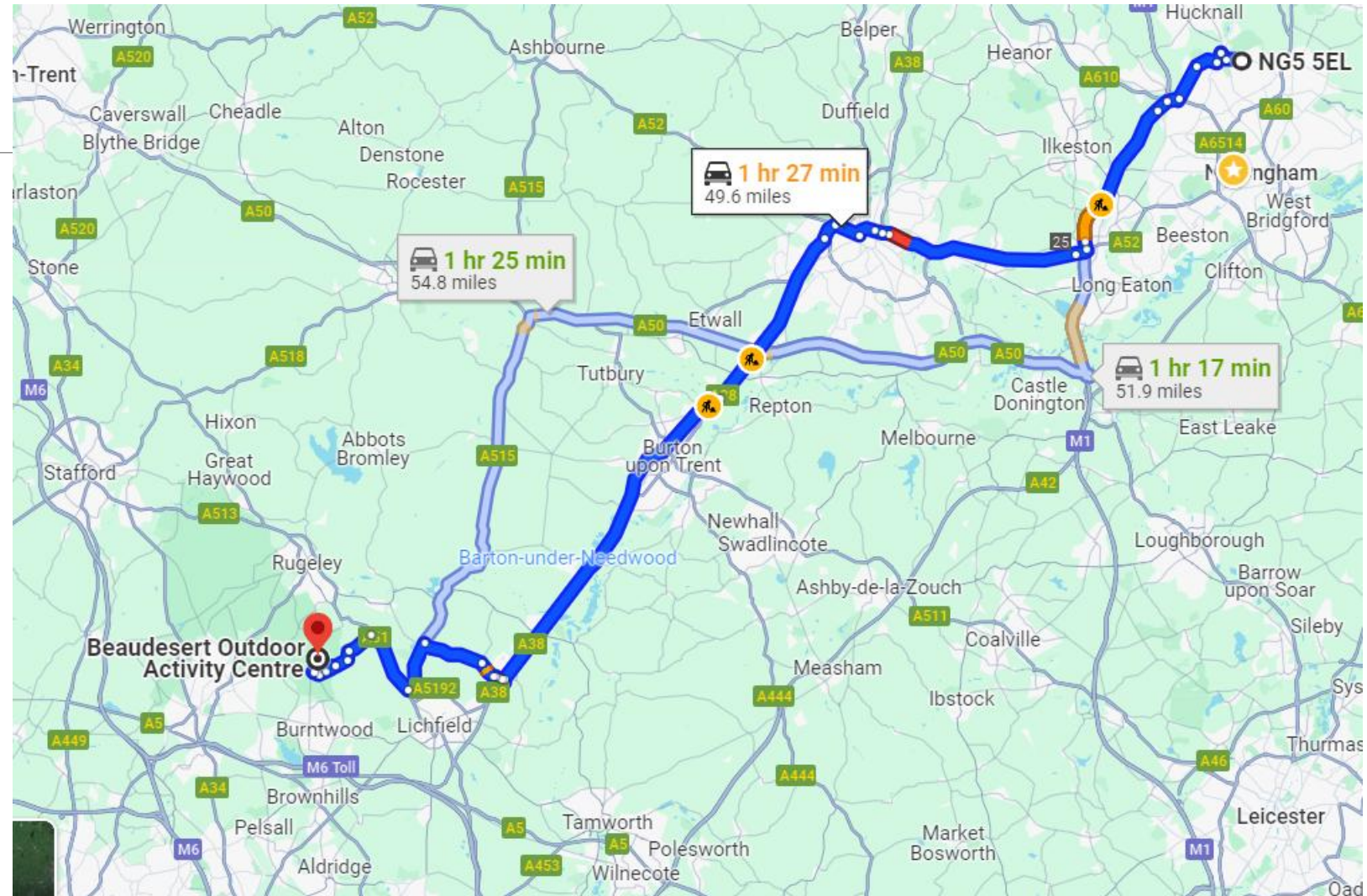
13th May – Maths reasoning

Residential

Beaudesert
Activity Centre

Staffordshire

16th – 18th June



Example days

Day 1

Leave at 10am

Own packed lunch on arrival around midday

2 activities in the afternoon

Catered evening meal

Evening entertainment and hot chocolate

Sleep for next day

Day 2

- Catered breakfast
- 2 activities in the morning
- Catered lunch
- 2 activities in the afternoon
- Catered evening meal
- Evening entertainment and hot chocolate
- Sleep for next day

Day 3

- Catered breakfast
- 2 morning activities
- Catered lunch
- Ready to leave site

Where will my child sleep?

2 blocks of dormitories – boys and girls

Bunks in beds of 2 or 3.

Teachers will decide who sleeps in each room.

Adults will sleep in separate rooms – males and females next to the boys' and girls' dormitories.

Access to the toilet from the room.

Fire exit in each room.

There is a staff member from the centre on site all night.

Children will need to bring a sleeping bag and pillow.

Separate shower and toilet block can be used in the day.



Canteen

- Children will eat together as a year group.
- All of the food is separate, so they can choose what they want.
- Dietary requirements will all be catered for.



Example menu

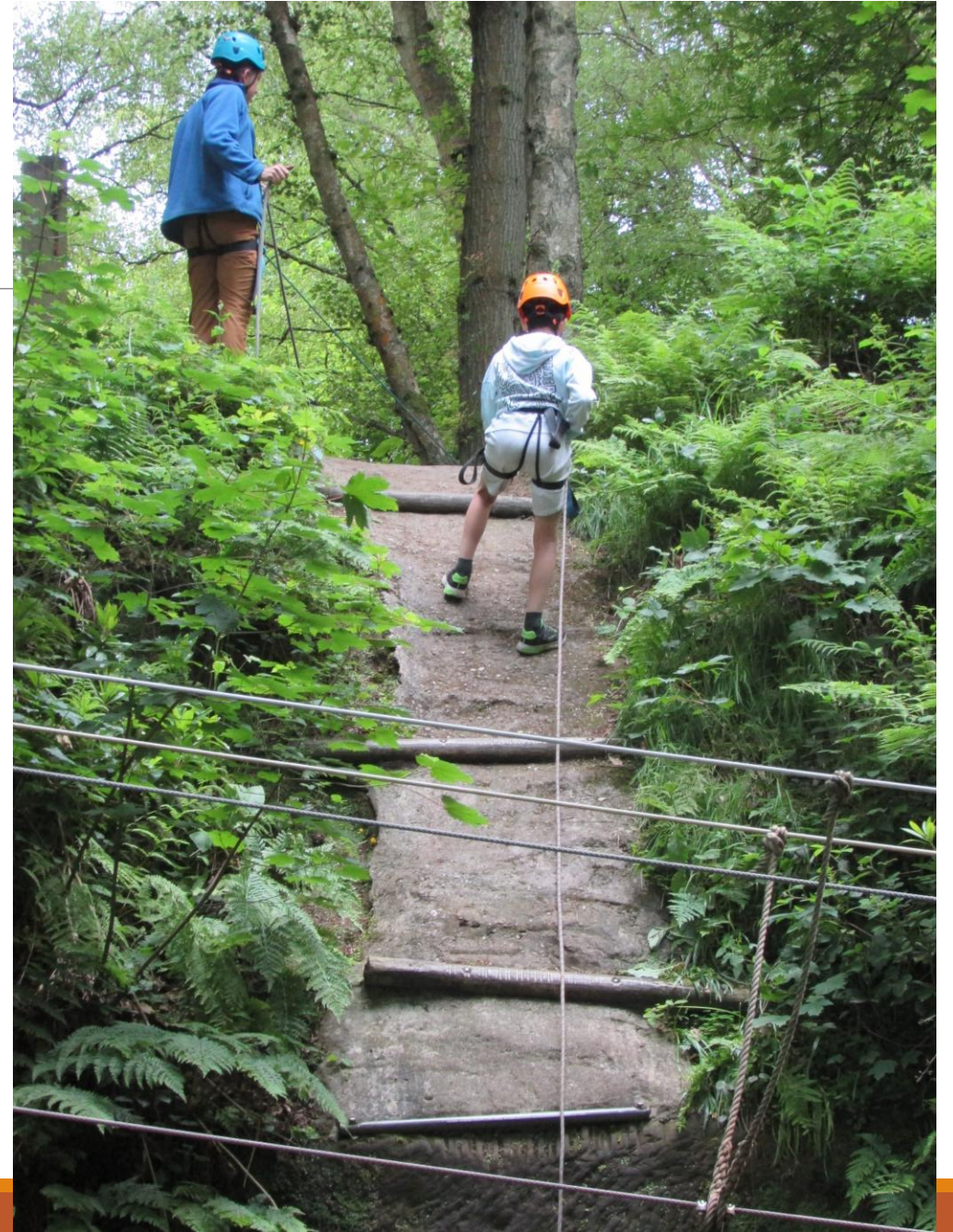
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Breakfast						
Warmed American style pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup Vegan pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup (VE) Gluten free breakfast pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup (GF)	Bacon rashers in a soft bite roll Meat free sausage in a soft roll (V) (VE) in a soft roll Bacon in a gluten free roll (GF) Halal chicken sausage in a soft bite roll	Warmed American style pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup Vegan pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup (VE) Gluten free breakfast pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup (GF)	British pork sausages with baked beans Meat free sausage (V) and baked beans Gluten free sausage with baked beans	Baked beans on toast, scrambled egg Vegan baked beans on toast (VE) Baked beans on gluten free toast (GF)	Bacon rashers in a soft bite roll Meat free sausage in a soft roll (V) (VE) in a soft roll Bacon in a gluten free roll (GF) Halal chicken sausage in a soft bite roll	Warmed American style pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup Vegan pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup (VE) Gluten free breakfast pancake with soft fruit and golden syrup (GF)
A choice of cereal, toast with jam or marmalade, chef's choice of pastry, yoghurt and fruit						

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Evening Dinner						
Sweet & Sour chicken with rice Vegetable sweet & sour Bread and butter Salad bar Slice of sponge cake & custard	Roast chicken or oven-cooked chicken-style fillet (V) and gravy Chef's choice of potato Seasonal vegetables Yorkshire pudding Bread and butter Salad bar Fruit pot topped with cream	Pasta and meatball bake topped with mozzarella or vegetarian meatballs (V) in a bolognaise sauce (V) Garlic bread Bread and butter Salad bar Fruit crumble & custard	All Wrapped up Wrap with Fluffy Vegetable rice Garlic and Herb Chicken or BBQ Chicken Bread and butter Salad bar Freshly cooked cookie & ice cream	Chef's choice of curry with rice with mini tear drop naan Bread and butter Salad bar Fruit topped with mousse Chocolate pieces topped with mousse with a cookie	Roast pork and gravy Chef's choice of potato Seasonal vegetables Yorkshire pudding Bread and butter Salad bar Slice of chocolate sponge / brownie & ice cream	Beef or vegetable (V) lasagne Seasonal vegetables Garlic bread Bread and butter Salad bar Ice lolly
The following evening dinner choices are bookable at breakfast: Penne pasta served with the sauce of the day and grated cheese – pie from a choice of cheese and potato (V), steak or chicken – jacket potato with cheese and beans (V) – chef's dish of the day						

Possible activities we will be taking part in

- Monkey trees
- Kayaking
- Via ferrata
- Climbing wall
- Jacob's ladder
- Zip wire
- Crate stack
- Archery
- Axe throwing







Kit list

sleeping bag and pillow

packed lunch

old trainers

trainers/walking boots

jogging bottoms/leggings – no jeans!

T-shirts and jumpers – extra layers!

water shoes

underwear with spares

socks with spares

waterproof coat

hat and sun cream

towels

black bin liner for wet clothes

water bottle

- pyjamas
 - torch
 - book
 - shower things
 - toothbrush and toothpaste
 - medication – with a form to be passed to an adult
 - hayfever wipes, drops etc.
 - swimwear
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- No mobile phones are allowed!



Behaviour

The residential is an end of year 6 reward for all of their hard work this year.

Attending the residential is subject to children's behaviour.

Payment

The cost of the trip will be around £210 in total. This can be paid in instalments or altogether.

Please ensure that you have paid fully before the date of the trip.

Payments can be made in small amounts or all at once.

Deposit of £20 to be paid before Friday 27th November to secure your child's place.

We may receive extra funding through grants towards the cost of the residential. You will be made aware of these and the price will be adjusted accordingly if we are successful in bidding for any.

Questions?

Please see your teachers and TAs now if you have any further questions.

Thank you for attending.