



North Baddesley Junior School

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Year 6 Welcome Letter

4th September 2026

Dear parents / guardians

First, a warm welcome to Year 6 at North Baddesley Junior School. We are all looking forward to the exciting topics and learning we have planned for your children, and all the special extra events that await the students in their final year at junior school. We have been really impressed this week by the children's smart appearance and enthusiasm to begin this year positively.

We begin the year with a history focus through our Victorian topic '*60 years of change*'. With this in mind, I would like to make you aware of the **Victorian themed days (Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd October)**. By dressing up, the children enter into the spirit of the day and helps them to consider how children of the time felt. We urge you to make your own costumes to avoid any extra expense (the Year 5 Titanic costumes could be adapted to suit, and school shorts and shirts can be the base for many additional items or props). Please note, this is not a non-school uniform day and children who do not participate in dressing up must wear their school uniform. In addition to dressing up and immersing ourselves into Victorian Britain (linked to our Design Technology cooking project), we will be eating a lunch the children have made on **Thursday 22nd October**. We will share more information about both days in a letter and at the **Parent Information Meetings (Wednesday 16th September)**.

P.E.

It is vital that children have their P.E. kit in school for our lessons (black/navy plain, non-logoed shorts, house coloured t-shirt and trainers).

Outdoor games	Wednesday
Indoor P.E.	Tuesday

Please can we remind all for the warmer months that the children can wear plain non-logoed tracksuit bottoms and jumper. A gentle reminder that our school policy is not to tape earrings, but to remove them - please ensure your child can do this themselves; alternatively send your child without earrings on these days – thank you.

Trips

We are very aware of ever-increasing costs and have two planned trips for Year 6.

November – River trip at Gilbert White's Study Centre – £26 per child.

Summer term – Paultons Park - approximate costing £25

(Both these trips will require a packed lunch.)

Home learning

Home learning is an expectation for all children. This will include learning tasks for reading, spelling and maths. **Home learning is set for all classes on a Thursday and due in on Wednesday.** This will be set on Google Classroom and children will receive a paper copy.

All children will bring home a log in for the Oxford Reading Buddy. Children will be able to access levelled reading books and take quizzes to assess their understanding of the text.

We look forward to meeting as many of you as possible at our **Parent Information Meetings**. These will take place at 3:30-4:00pm and again at 4:00 -4:30 pm on **Wednesday 16th September**. We will provide you with information about the year ahead and answer any questions you may have.

As always, we encourage you to talk to us at the gate at the end of the school day if you have any further questions.

Kind regards

Year 6 Team

Miss Hall, Mrs Reid and Mrs Taylor

Year 6 Key Dates

Tuesday 15 th September	Stone Farm meeting. 5:30pm
Wednesday 16 th September	Parent Information Meetings 3:30 – 4:00 pm 4:00 – 4:30 pm
Thursday 17 th September	6H class assembly for parents
Monday 21 st September	6R class assembly for parents

Thursday 24 th September	Mountbatten open morning 9:00 -11:00 parents and children.
Thursday 1 st October	6T class assembly for parents
Monday 5 th – Friday 9 th October	Stone Farm Residential
Wednesday 21 st and Thursday 22 nd October	Victorian Experience Days
Thursday 22 nd October	Victorian Lunch
Friday 23 rd October	Theme Day
Monday 9 th November	6R & 6T Gilbert White River Trip
Tuesday 10 th November	6H Gilbert White River Trip
Thursday 12 th November	SATs information evening 5:00 – 6:00 pm
Monday 1 st – Friday 5 th March	World Book Week Thursday 4 th - dress up day
Monday 22 nd March	Year 6 Showcase afternoon 2:30 – 3:00 for parents
Tuesday 23 rd March	Year 6 RE Day
Monday 10 th – Thursday 13 th May	SATs Week
Friday 14 th May	Inclusion Day
Friday 21 st May	Sports Day 1 (no parents)
Monday 24 th May	Sports Day 2 (Parents invited) 9 – 12:30
Monday 7 th – Friday 11 th June	Year 6 catch up swimming
Thursday 10 th June	RSE parent meeting 3:30 – 4:30 (adults only)
Monday 14 th - Friday 18 th June	REF week
Wednesday 14 th July	Production – 1:45pm matinee
Wednesday 14 th July	Production – 6:00pm
Thursday 15 th July	Production – 6:00pm
Monday 19 th July	Paulktons celebration trip
Tuesday 20 th July	Leaver's festival and lunch
Wednesday 21 st July	Leavers assembly and picnic

- We have just been informed that there is a potential clash of dates with our feeder school for our production evenings. The production dates will be reviewed once confirmation from our feeder school has been received.