

English

For the first half of this term, we'll focus on SATs revision, covering key reading comprehension skills and revisiting spelling, punctuation, and grammar. After SATs, we'll use *Kensuke's Kingdom* to inspire writing tasks, including diary entries, persuasive letters, and descriptive narratives. Pupils will also explore the novel's themes and characters through discussions and creative activities. We will also begin to look at formal and informal writing in more depth.

Geography & History

In geography, we'll study Japan's location, climate, and physical features, and compare it to the UK. Children will also track Michael's journey from the story using maps and atlases. In history, explore Japan's role in World War II to better understand *Kensuke's* background. They'll create timelines and reflect on how history shapes personal stories.

RE & PSHE

In RE we will be discussing the big question "*For Christians, what kind of king is Jesus?*" This term, we'll cover the topic "Changing Me," focusing on puberty, emotional changes, and understanding healthy relationships.

Mathematics

In maths, we will begin the term by revising key maths concepts in preparation for the SATs, focusing on arithmetic, reasoning, and problem-solving. After the tests, we'll apply these skills through real-life contexts linked to *Kensuke's Kingdom*, such as calculating distances, interpreting data, and using coordinates.

Class 6 Summer 2025

We will start with SATs preparation, revising key skills in maths, reading, grammar, punctuation, and spelling to ensure every child feels confident and ready. After SATs, we'll dive into an exciting, cross-curricular topic inspired by *Kensuke's Kingdom*, exploring Japan, adventure, resilience, and survival across various subjects. We'll also be preparing for our residential trip to Oaker Wood, which promises to be a fantastic opportunity for children to develop teamwork, independence, and outdoor skills—reflecting themes from our class novel.

Physical Education

Mrs Haines will continue to lead PE this term. Our focus will be on rounders and cricket, helping children build their skills ahead of the upcoming rounders tournament. PE lessons will take place every Tuesday.

Music

This term, music will centre around our end-of-year performance of *Madagascar*. Children will learn songs, practise vocal techniques, and develop their performance skills in preparation for the show.

Science

In science, we'll explore two key areas: light and the human body. Children will investigate how light travels, shadows form, and how we see. Later in the term, we'll look at the human circulatory system and how to keep our bodies healthy.

Art & Design Technology

In art, children will explore Japanese styles like origami, ink painting, and calligraphy, creating their own pieces inspired by scenes from the novel. In D&T, they will design and make a memento using sewing and patchwork skills, creating a lasting keepsake from their time at Sutton.

Computing

In computing, the children will create digital presentations and maps linked to *Kensuke's Kingdom*, while researching and sharing information about Japan. We will also continue to reinforce key e-safety principles to ensure safe and responsible online behaviour.

How you can help and additional information

This term is busy and exciting, and your support will be essential. You can help by encouraging short, regular revision sessions for SATs, focusing on strengths and areas for improvement, while ensuring a balance with breaks. Continue reading with your child to support their comprehension, and help them manage their time between revision, schoolwork, and relaxation. Most importantly, encourage them to embrace new challenges with confidence, whether in their studies or during the Oaker Wood trip.

Thank you for your continued support!