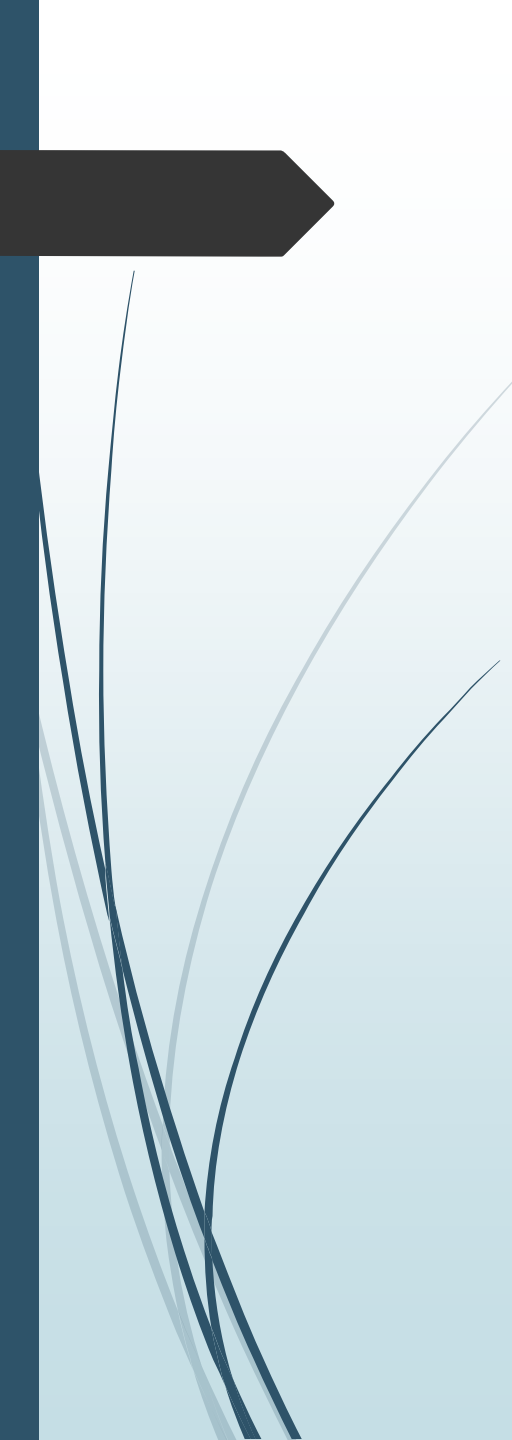




Transition Year 5 to Year 6

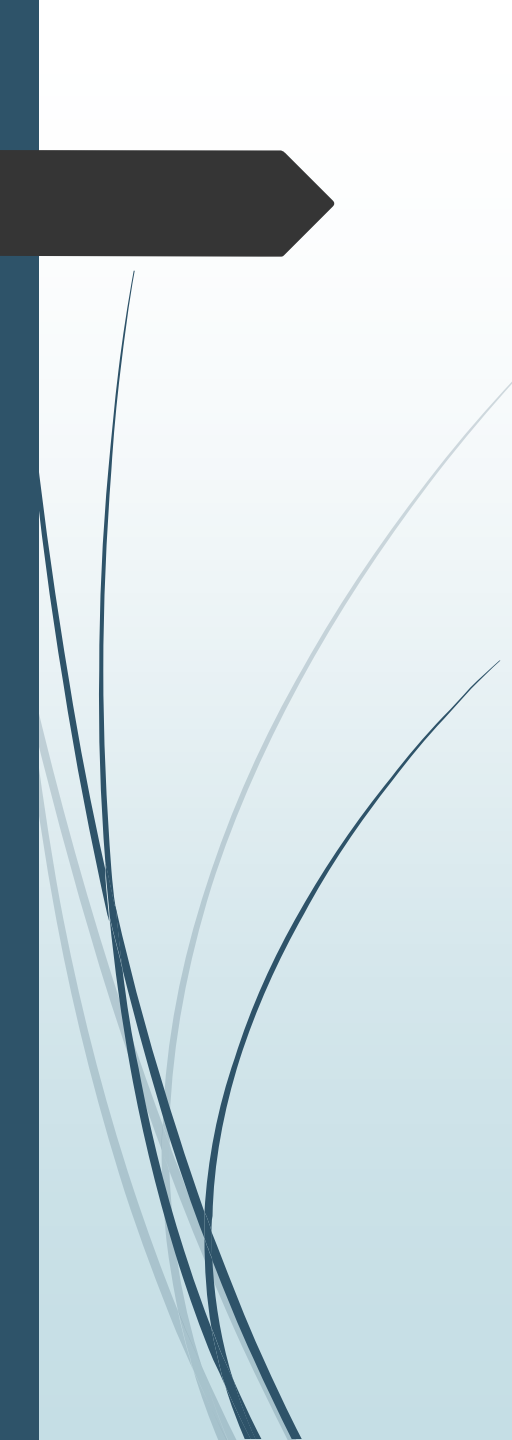
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Aims

To support you and your child I will briefly outline:

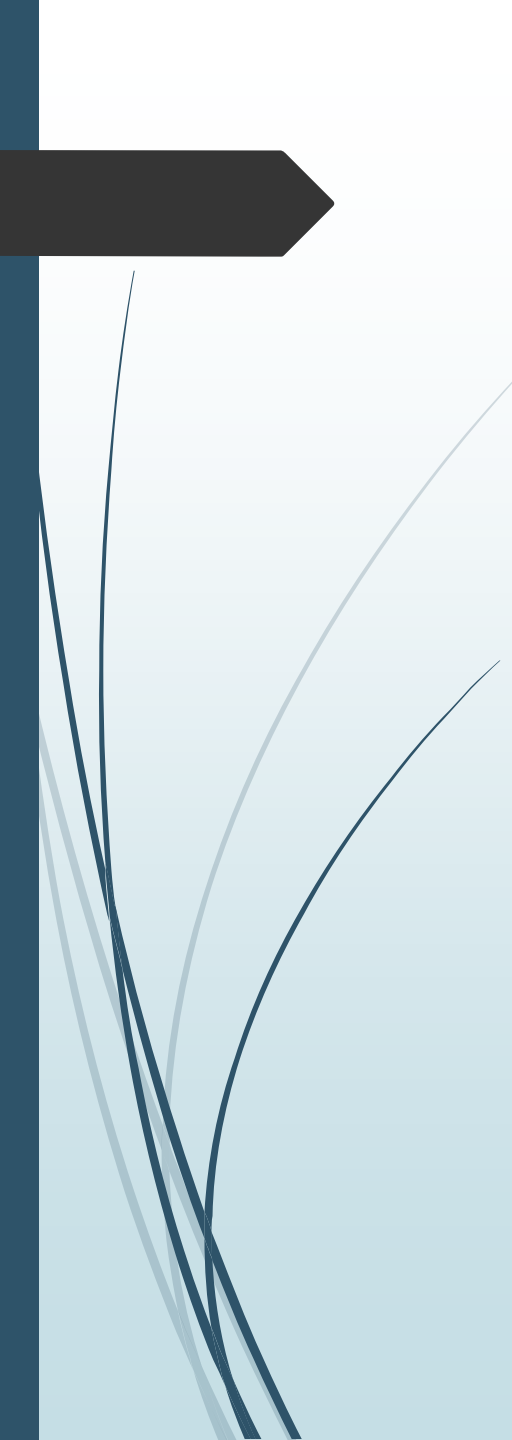
- the expectations and academic demands of the Year 6 curriculum
- the end of Key Stage Two SATs tests
- the application and transition to secondary school
- PGL school journey in October



How Year 6 will look

Mostly no different to other years!

- Children may be grouped for specific lessons
- There will be some practice tests throughout the year
- Small development groups will be used throughout the year to support children with specific areas of learning
- Homework books – children will have specific workbooks and will be set pages to complete in line with the work they are doing in class



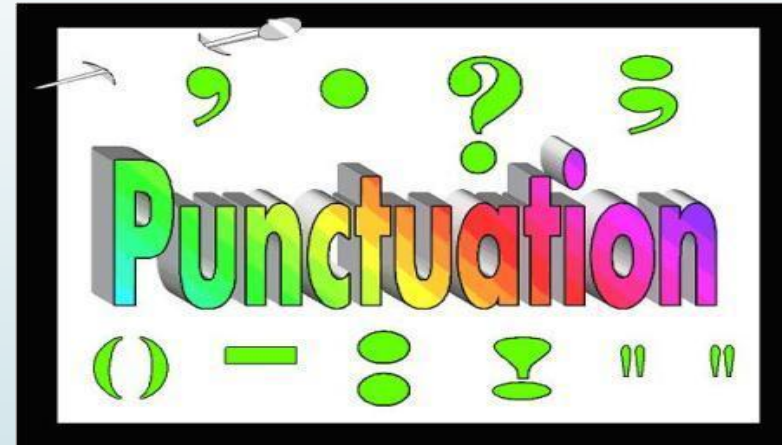
End of Key Stage 2 Standardised Achievement Tests - SATs

- These are statutory assessments and happen in May – we will hold a meeting outlining details closer to the time
- 3 subjects are assessed in test format: Reading, Mathematics and Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling
- 2 subjects are teacher assessed: Writing and Science

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS)



Grammar

A title card for 'Grammar' with the word in large, blue, checkered letters. The background is yellow with scattered white and orange stars.

Paper 1 (45 mins): punctuation, vocabulary and grammar
Paper 2 (15 mins) : spelling – 20 words

SATs Questions SPaG

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

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Underline the **subordinate clause** in each sentence below.

Although it was getting late, Dan still hadn't finished his homework.

If you get hungry, help yourself to a snack.

I really enjoy swimming, despite finding it difficult.

1 mark

Example question

SATs Questions SPaG

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

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Which sentence uses the **colon** correctly?

Tick **one**.

I bought several beach toys a bucket: a spade a ball and a kite.

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I bought several beach toys a: bucket, a spade, a ball and a kite.

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I bought several beach toys: a bucket, a spade, a ball and a kite.

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I bought several: beach toys, a bucket, a spade, a ball and a kite.

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1 mark

Example question

Reading



One paper – 60 minutes
Questions designed to assess
comprehension
Reading speed is important, as is
giving examples for their opinions

SATs Reading Test:

Example text and question

The howl pierced the darkening sky and made Innis Munro stop dead in his tracks. He pulled his hood down, listened intently. The only sound was his beating heart.

That was a wolf, he thought.

But it couldn't have been. There were no wolves on the island of Nin, no wolves in Scotland any more, not for almost three hundred years. It was just a trick of the wind.

He pressed on but kept his hood down. The afternoon light of early March was fading fast, snow was falling, and he was still a good half-mile from home.

Innis walked faster, told himself it was not the howl that made him hurry but the gloomy sky and gathering snow. He was crossing 'the Barrens' – the middle of the island where the land was bumpy and boggy.

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'The Barrens' was the name for...

Tick **one**.

a snowy, wooded area.

☐

sandy land on the coast.

☐

a wet area of rough ground.

☐

fields of grass and crops.

☐

1 mark

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Look at the paragraph beginning: *Innis sat up...* to the end of the text.

Innis meets the boy. What do you learn about the boy's personality?

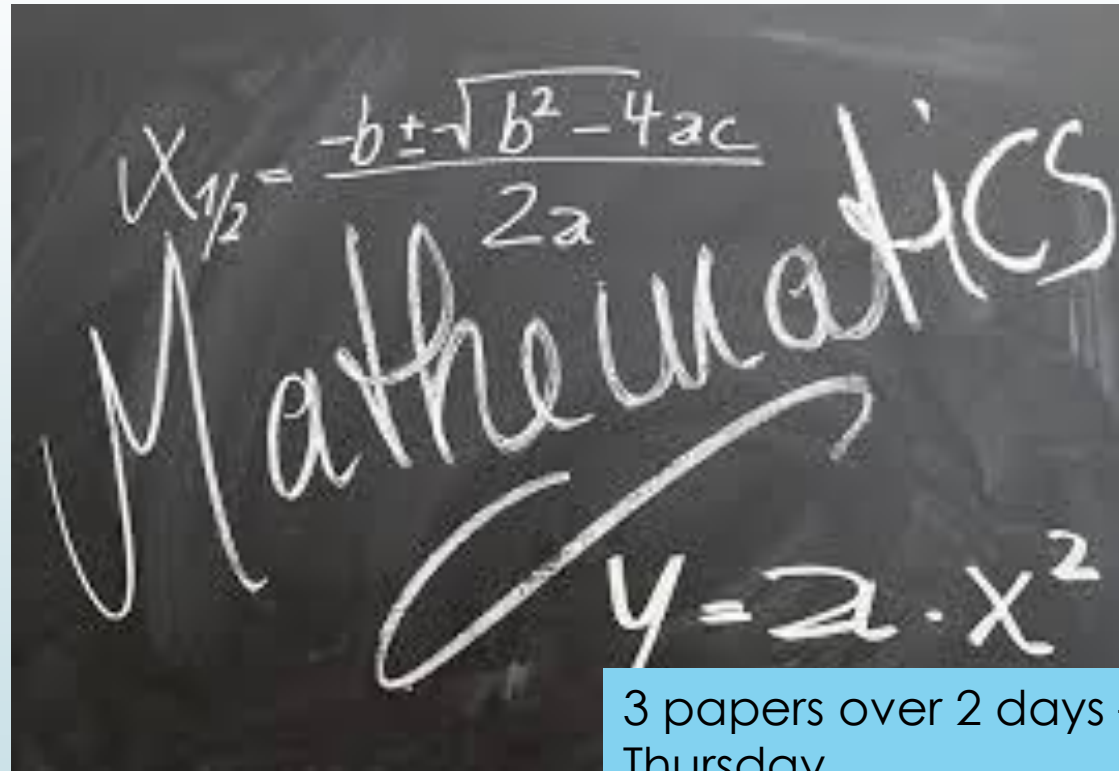
Give **two** things, using evidence from the text to support your answer.

Personality	Evidence

Example question

3 marks

Mathematics



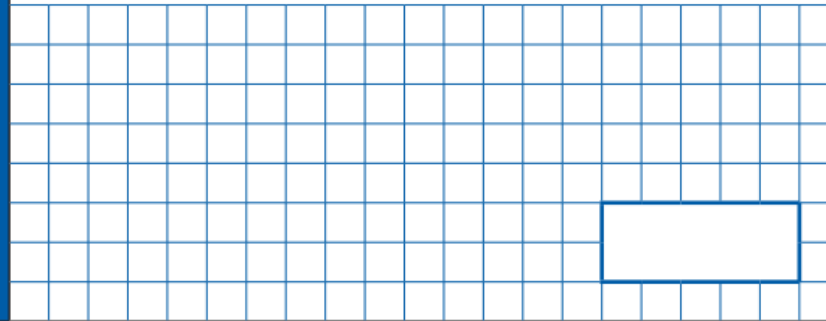
3 papers over 2 days – Wednesday and Thursday

Paper 1 is arithmetic (30 mins), tests calculation methods, including fractions, percentages and decimals Papers 2 and 3 are reasoning (40 mins), containing questions in context

SATs Questions Mathematics

Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic

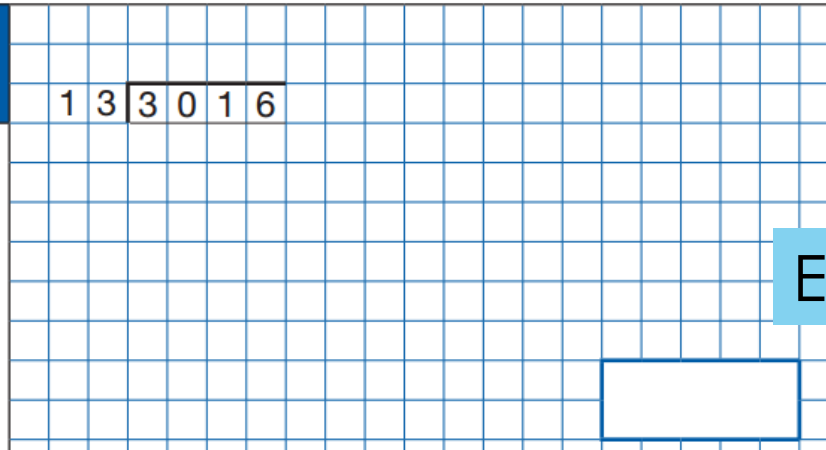
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Example question

SATs Questions Mathematics

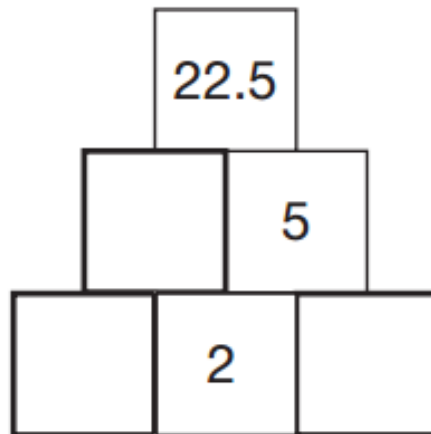
Maths Paper 2 / Paper 3 : Reasoning

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Here is a number pyramid.

The number in a box is the **product** of the two numbers below it.

Write the missing numbers.



Example question

SATs Questions Mathematics

Maths Paper 2 / Paper 3 : Reasoning

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Large pizzas cost £8.50 each.

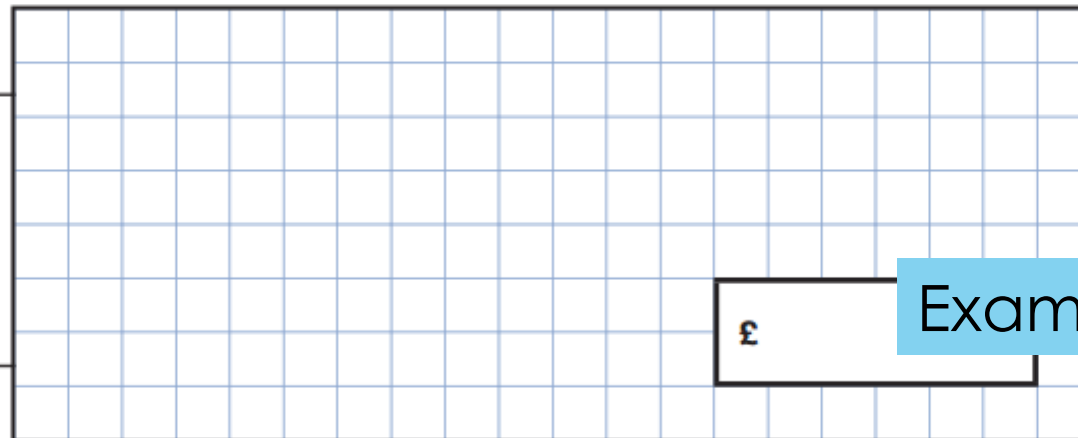
Small pizzas cost £6.75 each.

Five children together buy one large pizza and three small pizzas.

They share the cost equally.

How much does each child pay?

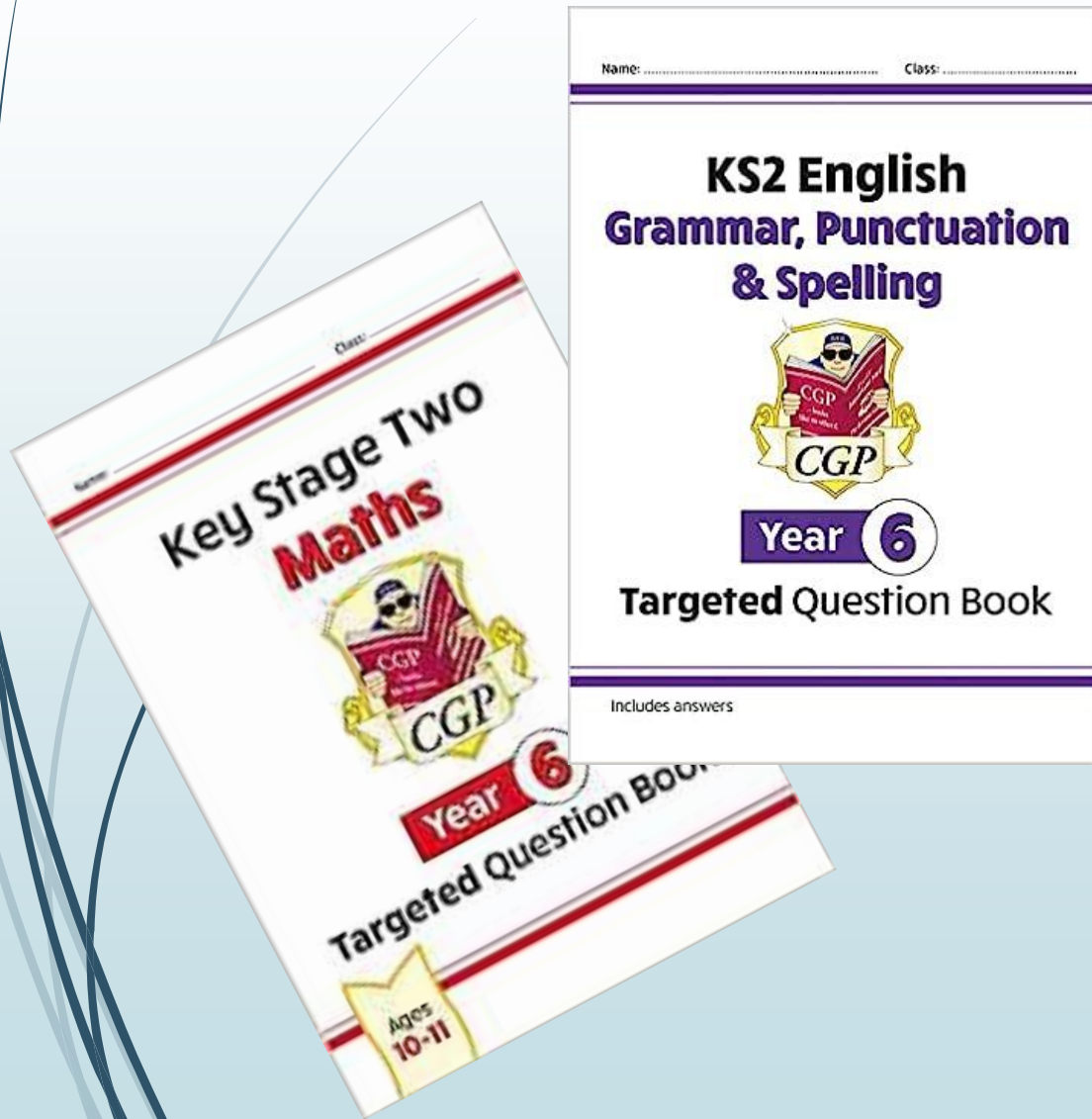
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Example question

2 marks

Home learning in Year 6



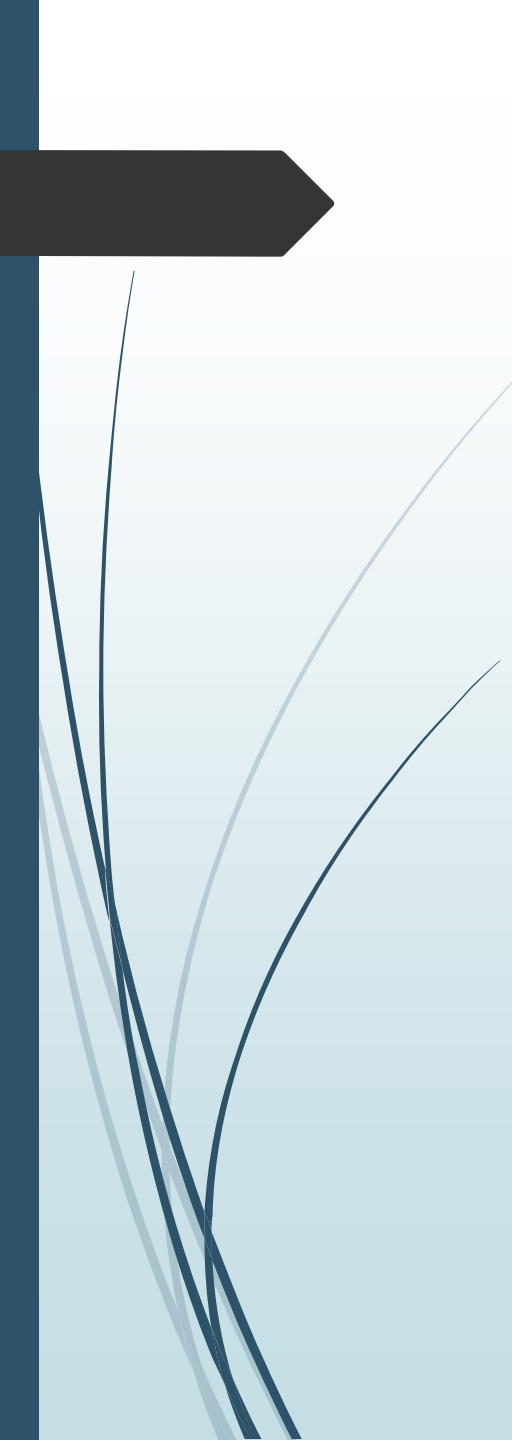
READING!

Home learning given a higher profile in Year 6. CGP books used for maths and grammar (these are £7.10 and we will ask for a contribution). Set on Thursday, in on following Tuesday. Completed at lunchtime if not done. Support children to have time to complete. Speak to teachers about any problems!



Applying for Secondary School

- Applications open 1 September 2026
- Apply online at eadmissions.org.uk
- Research schools early
- Discuss options with your child
- Be realistic about admissions criteria and distance
- Submit by 31 October 2026



How to Apply

What to Do

- Research schools and admissions criteria
- Attend open days and visits
- Gather supporting evidence
- Choose your preferences carefully
- Complete the online application
- Submit before the deadline

Additional Forms & Supporting Evidence

Some schools require a Supplementary Information Form (SIF).

Examples include:

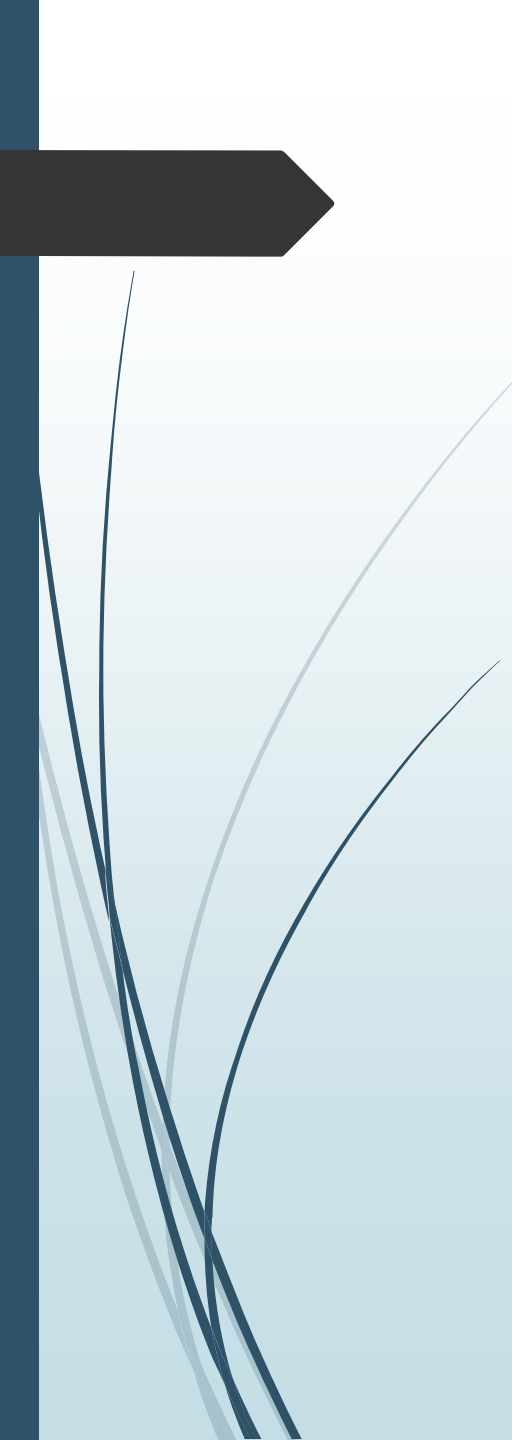
- Faith schools
- Music aptitude places

Supporting evidence may include:

- Faith references
- Medical evidence
- Social or family circumstances

Late forms or evidence may not be considered.

All information should be on secondary schools' websites.



Visiting Schools

- Make the Most of Visits
- Attend open mornings and evenings
- Prepare questions in advance
- Focus on your child's needs
- Record your impressions
- Don't rely solely on others' opinions

Year 6 Trip to PGL Grovesnor Hall 19th – 23rd October

- Set in the grounds of a former manor house, this PGL centre in Kent packs in high-energy activities, top-notch facilities, and dynamic learning spaces.
- Lively evening activity sessions run by the PGL team.
- 6 members of school staff will accompany the children.
- All dietary requirements are catered for. Sample menu available on the website:

<https://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/menus-and-food>

More information and kit list will be sent out in September.

Activities:





Rooms sleep 4–8 children and all have their own bathroom.

Sample day on a Multi Activity mini break

Schedule	Activity
Breakfast	Off to the dining room with the rest of your group to fuel up for the day, you'll need plenty of energy to keep you going. Breakfast includes cereals, toast, yogurts, porridge, and cooked breakfast – you choose! Don't forget to refill your drinks bottle before you head off to your first activity
Morning Activities	High Ropes and Trapeze
Lunch	Worked up an appetite? Great – it's time to replenish your energy stores with the dining room. If you have energy to spare after lunch your Group Leader will always be ready for a quick kickabout with a ball or you could relax and chat with your new friends.
Afternoon Activities	Orienteering and Kayaking
Dinner	Time to eat again – a different menu each day (and did we mention, often evening meals come with a hot pudding too – or you can stick with fruit if you prefer).
Evening Activities	Talent shows, campfires, quizzes and much more – your evening activities programme gives you the chance to get together with everyone else in your age group and have some laughs.
Bedtime	Bedtime. The younger ones go first whilst older groups have time to chill out and chat or watch a DVD. Then it's lights out and time to sleep ready to do it all over again tomorrow!

Please note this is a sample itinerary for illustrative purposes only. Itineraries will be planned by the centre shortly before your arrival.