



# Welcome to Year 6 at Hethersett VC Primary School January 2026



Dear Snow Leopards,

We hope you and your families enjoyed a restful and enjoyable Christmas holiday, and we would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very Happy New Year.

We would also like to express our sincere thanks for your kindness and generosity at the end of last term. The thoughtful gifts and Christmas wishes were greatly appreciated, and we are very grateful for your continued support throughout the year.

As we begin the new term, we look forward to welcoming the children back to school. After a well-deserved break, we are confident they will return refreshed, motivated, and ready to engage positively with the exciting learning opportunities ahead.

Regards,  
Year 6 team:  
Mrs Clements ([hclements@hethersettprimary.co.uk](mailto:hclements@hethersettprimary.co.uk)) and Mrs King.

## Reading

Hopefully lots of reading has been taking place over the Christmas period and will continue as we enter the Spring Term. Our library has seen lots of new additions and more will be added this term as a result of the fundraising from our school book fair.

**Library/class library books** – we will continue to visit the library, as a class, once a week on a Friday morning. This is an opportunity for the children to get a new book if they need one. Children can return library books to Mrs King at any point during the week. Whilst children are waiting for a class library session, we can utilise our fantastic class library bookshelf.

**Three reads = 1 HP**  
**Four to six reads = 2 HPs**  
**Seven reads = 3 HPs**  
**Records will be checked on a Monday and house points given on this day.**

## Rota for Swimming and PE lessons.

Snow Leopards have PE taught by a specialist coach from Premier Education **every Wednesday** throughout the year. So please make sure your child/children comes/come to school on this day in their PE kit. On top of this, they will have PE lessons taught by Mrs Clements during the half term that we are not swimming on Fridays, starting on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January. We will begin swimming lessons with Miss Betts on the first Thursday after half term – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

Please see the timetable below:

	<b>PE with Mrs Clements – starting Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>	<b>Swimming with Miss Betts – Starting Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2026</b>	<b>PE with Premier Education– Starting Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>
<b>Spring 1</b>	✓		✓
<b>Spring 2</b>		✓	✓
<b>Summer 1</b>	✓		✓
<b>Summer 2</b>		✓	✓

### Spring term curriculum

During this term we will be completing further assessments in preparation for the SATs in the Summer Term. We will also be covering the following in each subject area:

**Maths** – Percentages, area and perimeter, ratio, algebra, geometry and volume. We will continue completing weekly arithmetic papers to help with our recall of the written methods.

**English** – We will continue with our poetry unit and then begin our new book 'The selfish giant,' which will inspire our narrative writing.

**Science** – Our unit of Animals including humans will run throughout the whole term, which explores the human body and living a healthy lifestyle. Following this, we will also cover our Relationships, Sex and Health Education unit, which builds upon previous learning. A letter will follow in the coming week to outline the content for this.

**Art** – We will begin a new art unit on Drawing.

**PE** – We will be developing our creativity through dance with Premier Education and netball with Mrs Clements. After half term, Premier Education will be teaching basketball and Miss Betts will take us swimming.

**RE** – We will be answering the following two questions each half term: 'What does it mean to be free?' and 'What is a leader?'

**PSHE** – Unit 3: Conflict and Resolution.

**French** – We will look at the following units: Clothes and Habitats.

**Computing** – We will be using computer software to assist with designing and creating a 3D model.

**Music** – We will be exploring the year 6 music curriculum using 'Music Express'.

**Geography** – We will spend the term exploring Mountains across the world. We will be learning about the formation of different types of mountains, the location of mountain ranges across the world, mountain climates and the impact of humans on mountain areas.

### **Homework:**

- The children will receive their history/geography/science homework as a half termly Fact File. The first fact file forms part of our history unit on the Maya culture. Children will be given a paper copy of this during our history lesson, and it will also be e-mailed home.
- **Reading:** Please ensure that children read at least 3 times per week, preferably with an adult where possible. Reading records will be collected in on **Monday** and house points given:  
**Reading three times a week = 1 HP**  
**Reading between four to six times a week = 2 HPs**  
**Reading seven times a week = 3 HPs**
- **Spellings** will not be tested but the words for each week can be found on our school website [Spellings | Hethersett VC Primary School](#)
- **SPaG CGP Books.** The children will be provided with a CGP Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Book. Pages to complete will be set on a Friday afternoon after work has been marked. The work will be due in on the following Friday morning. **Please DO NOT complete more than the work set as this will affect work in future weeks.**
- **Maths CGP Books:** Children will be provided with a CGP Maths book. Like the SPaG, this will set on a Friday afternoon and due in on the following Friday morning.
- Times Table Rockstars – children have home access to Times Table Rockstars in which they can brush up and/or learn their times tables. Please see below the house point tariff for Times Table Rockstars:  
**Logging into play three times a week = 1 HP**  
**Logging into play between four to six times a week = 2 HPs**  
**Logging into play seven times a week = 3 HPs**