

End of Year 6 Newsletter

Welcome to the one and only
- limited edition -
Year 6 Class of 2026 Newsletter!

As we prepare to leave for Secondary School, the memories we have made at Calcot will stay with us forever and we will remember these years as some of the best of our lives. We are excited to begin the next stage of our education but will never forget our time here at Calcot Schools. Please enjoy reading our memories and poems inspired by our final year!



Messages from our Head / Change Team (L-R: Allayna, Tommy, Laavin, Grace, Mikey, Dania, Alex, Eva)

I'm Allayna and I am so glad that I can call myself an ex-student of Calcot Junior School. My role as Head Girl alongside Grace has been so amazing and I am so delighted that I got to be a part of this amazing and resilient head/ change team. It's been such an amazing year and I can't express how sad I am to leave.

I can't thank Calcot enough for all that it's taught me. I wish that I didn't have to move on to secondary school; however, I know that I have to take the next big step in my journey, but Calcot will always be my place. Calcot taught me how to fly, now I can soar! Goodbye Calcot it was a pleasure being one of your students and I promise that I will never forget our values.

Hello! My name is Grace and I have been at Calcot since Reception. It has been an amazing school for me for the past 7 years. My role in the Head Team as Head Girl, alongside Allayna, has been amazing. I have helped make changes at this school with the Change Team and I call this place my second home. My favourite memory from this school is when we went on our school residential to PGL. We did countless thrilling activities, that taught me to go for every opportunity. This school has helped me thrive and handed me loads of adventures. When I go to secondary school, I will always remember that this school gave me my start. Calcot has given me my wings, so now I can fly.

This past year, we have made incredible changes to this school by making pupils be the best they could be and one way that we have made incredible changes is when building a greenhouse and a new allotment garden. We also made amazing differences including the no phone rule onsite ban - as a student myself, I do have to admit the phone rule has made astronomical difference when talking to my peers rather than playing a game on our phones.

In unison with our school evolution, we made significant strides in cultivating a supportive, inclusive school culture. We introduced new student wellness initiatives and expanded our extracurricular clubs, boosting school spirit and emotional well-being across all year groups. To support academic excellence, we established structured peer-tutoring networks and launched specialised training for our teaching staff. These community investments have fostered a much more collaborative atmosphere, directly translating into higher student engagement and a stronger sense of belonging.

I hope we all have the best summer!

From, Tommy

Poem by Laavin:

The painted walls, the noisy yard,
The books we read, the sums so hard.
From little ones with bags too big,
We grew up high upon the twig.
But now the final bell has rung,
The last goodbyes are on our tongue.
We'll miss the friends who walked beside,
Through every laugh and daily stride.
The future waits, so bright and vast,
But primary days were built to last.
Be brave step forward try your best,
And greet tomorrow with a zest!

Hi, I'm Mikey!

Ever since Reception, this school has been our second home. We are devastated and downhearted to leave it, yet incredibly proud to have been part of this beautiful school that has taught us so much.

This year, the things I have enjoyed the most were PGL, the play (I was a lead hyena!) and the water fight! I have enjoyed being part of the Change Team because I get to help around the school and share my ideas.

Hello, I'm Eva and I am so glad that my parents picked out this school for me and so sad that I have to say goodbye soon. My role has been part of the Change Team alongside Dania, Alex, Mikey, and our Head Team (Grace, Allayna, Laavin and Tommy). Together, we have all made the school the best place it can be by little picking and selling cakes and sweets to raise money for the school. One of my core memories of school is when we did our SATS because I went in feeling worried but left every day feeling positive and confident, so don't worry Year 5 - don't stress, just study hard and believe in yourself. I will always remember this school as the start of my education journey.

Our time here at Calcot Primary Schools has been one valuable experience and we have had the honour to enjoy so many fun things in Year 6.

One of my favourite memories was when we had the privilege of going to Parliament, we were checked over in security. It was nerve-racking, because we were going through about twice the security at an airport. After that, we were escorted onto a tour where we saw the House of Lords and a real debate going on in there. Then we moved on to the House of Commons where we were able to see the famous green seats! After having a great time at Parliament, we went on the coach to The Imperial War Museum, where we got to simulate how life was in the trenches of World War I/II and we saw so many war planes, tanks and guns. There were so many things to look at and we enjoyed our whole trip out into London.

From, Alex

Hello my name is Dania! My favourite memories from year 6 are from, PGL. The fun from being with your friends, and the activities that we did with the amazing, kind PGL staff. I personally enjoyed the dorms - it was like living in a house with your friends. It was fun with the wildlife such as baby, baby frogs, geese, squirrels etc. PGL activity holidays are an absolute blast, packed with non-stop excitement and belly laughs from morning until night. There is an undeniable thrill in conquering a high ropes course, racing your friends down a massive zip wire, or splashing around during raft building. Although it was raining, it was still so fun!

The Head and Change Teams have worked closely with Mrs Rostron this year - supporting at events and reaching out to members of our wider community, and, through bake sales and graduation photos, we have raised over £500 for our school!
Thank you!



Ready. Respectful. Responsible.

Memories of Year 6

Year 6 has been a fun, challenging year but is soon ending. We have been preparing for year 7 with our transition days to secondary school and information days in school time. Read on to find out what we have done in our 4 years in the junior school.

Our learning

We have learnt much during year 6 in every subject from suspenseful writing to algebra we have explored many different topics. In history we have learned about WW1 and WW2 in history, plants and life cycles in science and many other things.

PGL

In year 6 we have the opportunity to go to PGL, which was one of the most fun experiences of year 6. We got to sleep overnight in a hotel-like room with all of our friends. The food was amazing with an all-you-can-eat salad bar and a amazing main meal each day. But none of this was as good as the activities. We got to do a giant swing, at least 10ft off the ground right down to the floor, raft building where we got to build a raft with different knots and sail it in the lake and abseiling where we got to descend down a tower (vertically).

Kai

At the start of year 6 everyone was frightened. Last year of primary and supposedly the hardest year. SATS, role model, last this, last that. The pressure was high and we've thrived this year. Finished our production, finished our SATS, finished everything, now we sit here writing and waiting on these last 2 weeks and we've got so many exciting things left. We have the water fight, carnival, leavers graduation and shirt signings. We also had the school residential trip to PGL and that was one of my highlights and probably many people's favourite part of year 6 we did so many activities many different types and it was just a blast. Year 6 was probably my favourite year and I hope it's as good for the year 5's.

Freddy B

As Year 6 comes to an end, it's time for secondary school and people are out and about on transition days, meeting teachers and head teachers. Everything is so chaotic as people say goodbye to their friends and teachers who we will miss dearly. I am nervous but also very excited for our next school as new opportunities roll around and we will meet new people and friends and new memories will be made! We have learnt various new things in all of our lessons ranging from nouns to creating cohesion and these lessons made us the best we could be! Thank you year six teachers for making us our best selves!

Myia

This year

Our time at Calcot Primary School has been filled with joy in all the friendships we have made and all the fun activities. It is truly heart-breaking to say goodbye. Year 6 has been the best year I have ever had in primary school: going to Rushall's farm on school trips, going to Houses of Parliament and the Imperial War Museum where we learnt loads, and PGL, which was the best trip I've ever been on (sharing rooms with our friends, doing many activities and best of all the food). SATs were surprisingly fun and we got to do lots of fun things around them like playing a big football match and getting lots of biscuits.

Also we have recently finished performing our school production "The Circle Of Life" based on the Lon King where there were loads of good parts and songs

Next year

Although it is very very sad to say goodbye next year, we will be moving on to secondary school which will be very fun and exciting.

Adam



Year 6 Reading Week



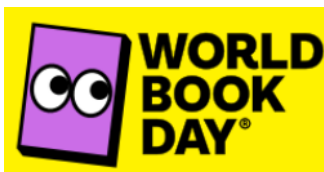
From reading with
Pangbourne
College...



... to
reading
with
Nursery!



World Book Day 2026



I enjoyed PGL and the activities and there was such nice food. At PGL, I ate flapjacks which were so yummy and I also ate this delicious pasta with tomato sauce and chicken nuggets. In PGL I had no fears because I enjoyed it so much and had so much fun in my dorm with my friends.

Rossi

PGL! The hydration stations there were SO GOOD! My favourite was the mixed flavour, but they also had raspberry peach and lemon and lime.

We played Granny in our dorm where you tied a long-sleeved shirt over the Granny's eyes and the Granny had to find everyone, and it was really fun but also scary: I remember being chased by Tahlia blindfolded!

Jessica



PGL was amazing! You get to share a room with your friends. You are there for about 3 days and there are all sorts of activities! The best parts of it were the giant swing and especially the food!

Reuben

My favourite part of year 6 so far was PGL because I made memories with so many of my friends that I will never forget especially raft building (I fell off 3 times!)

I loved my room who was Ollie, Alfie, Marcus and Harley S and we were all playing hide and seek in the dark.

Harley-Jai



Y6 Production - The Circle of Life

I enjoyed the Leavers Production - The Circle of Life. I love my role as Zazu and my favourite part about it was my fluffy bird puppet that actually squeaked! On stage, I felt a bit nervous as I had to perform 2 solos, both with a lot of words to remember. I loved the feeling of hearing my family and friends cheering me on: they really inspired me to do my best.

Apart from my role in the play, I had 2 other favourite parts of the play - the props and scenery and the lioness dance! I especially loved Pumbaa's big costume and rafiki's stick that she used to hit Adult Simba's head (twice!). Most of all, I love the amount of teamwork that went into the play for it to be executed properly and the amount of time and effort the adults helping us put into the show.

Nova

In the production I was Mufasa it was my first really big part and it really boosted my confidence. When I practised my solo for the first time, I was absolutely rubbish but on my last one I felt I was a lot better. At the start, I was really worried about remembering my lines but once I had done around 6 rehearsals I was absolutely fine.

Charlie A



The Year Six students worked extremely hard and we all hope you enjoyed everything, from the acting to the songs, also our props people. Our teachers prepared every single detail on all of our props, masks and everything!

Our band was also very good and we also had an ex-student come and play the electric guitar for us and it was a delight to take part in the production - I really hope you enjoyed it!

Myia



Poems to remember Year 6

The Adventures of Year Six

Year 6, clearly the best year!

Educated by teachers, to prepare for SATs, and for Sports Week!

Advancing by the day, getting cleverer and cleverer,
Reading books and books, learning more and more.

Soaring through mock tests, get high, high marks

Imagining how happy parents will be, when they find out our levels.

Xtreme enthusiasm, in Sports Day events!

Interacting in lessons, in all subjects.

Silly friends, making silly jokes!

Trips going all places, the best one,

Houses of Parliament, of course!

Entering both chambers, Lords and Commons.

Building our success, day by day

Entering a new school, extremely fun.

So finally, we can agree,

That YEAR SIX IS THE BEST!!!!!!!

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- Muhammad Qadir Shadoobuccus (6RS)

At the start of year 6,
Everything will be new,
You'll sit on the benches,
And be at the top of the school.

In December,
you'll watch films,
have Christmas parties,
And prepare for SATS.

In January,
You will go to the Imperial War Museum,
And,
Go to the Houses of Parliament.

In May,
You will have SATS,
And have a sats party.
Sports week,
And prepare for a play.

And you'll soon go to PGL...

Charlie S

Our jumpers

A single loose and dangling thread,
Brings back the words you never said.
A shield against the chill,
Spun from wool and patient skill.
A heavy armor, soft and deep,
Where quiet memories safely sleep.

It smells of earth and wooden drawers,
Of cozy days spent indoors.
So, our jumpers should be our prized possessions,
Better than the PE sessions.

Yusuf



So, as we leave this primary school behind,
We will keep our happy times in mind.
From morning tests to the very last cheer,
We will always remember our final year!

Mila



These are the memories that we will treasure from our last year of primary school. We hoped you enjoyed reading them.

Now, the only thing left to say is...

Goodbye

FROM CALCOT SCHOOLS LEAVERS

