



Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter.

Spring term 2018.



We hope you enjoyed your break and Happy New Year! Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term.

English

This term we will be looking at Classic fiction texts and will be reading 'Treasure Island' in class with a grammar focus which will cover children's targets. In the second half of the term, we will be looking at a variety of poems in order to write our own.

Science

Our first topic will be 'Danger- low voltage'. The children will learn about circuits and experiment with different components. In the second half, we will be learning about 'Body Pump' which will cover the circulatory system. Children will learn about the different parts of the system and their functions.

Geography

In the first half of the Spring term, we will be exploring the geographical features of North America, particularly looking at climate, physical features and human features as well. Pupils will be incorporating various grammar skills in their writing.

PSHCE

Pupils learn PSHCE through daily reflection activities, assemblies and PSHCE days which are held half termly. This term our topic is 'Me and making a positive contribution' and 'Me and medicines and drugs'.

In Year 6 we expect children to:

- Read every day for 20 minutes at least and ensure an adult signs their reading record everyday.
- Practise their maths passport targets
- Children **must** know their times tables up to 12 including random recall and inverse
- Complete their homework on time.
- Practise their handwriting and spellings every week.
- Take responsibility for their learning.
- Take care of all equipment sent home, including reading books
- Follow school rules at all times and follow the core ARA values- **Respect, Honesty and Kindness.**

Maths

This term we will continue to develop our mental maths skills during our arithmetic sessions. In Year 6, we will focus on the skills needed in the end of year SATs assessment. Children must ensure they are practising their times tables up to 12, including the inverse and in random order.

History

After half term, we will be learning about the Victorian era. We will look at a range of aspects including: Queen Victoria and other important figures; technology and industry developments; comparisons between the rich and poor; primary secondary sources; discussing our opinions and aiming to justify them with evidence in an argument.

Computing

This half term we will be looking at the topic of 'Programming'. We will be using Scratch software to create and develop a range of projects. Children will aim to understand how different programmes are created.

RE

In order to promote children's learning and understanding of the world, we will be looking at 'Special leaders' and 'Prayer/meditation'. They will learn about a range of influential leaders throughout time and their impact on society. Grammar foci will include: openers, multi-clauses and modal verbs.

REMINDER

Homework is sent home on Tuesdays and must be returned on or before the following Monday.

Encourage your children to use the 'read, say, write, check' method when supporting your child to learn their spellings. The spelling test is on a Friday afternoon.

Full **PE kit** should be brought into school on a Monday and left in all week. Children should take it home on Friday to be washed.

Please come and speak to any member of the Year 6 team if you have any questions.