

# Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn term 2021



Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed your break. Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term.

## **Class texts**

In our whole class reading lesson we will be reading 'Rooftoppers' by Katherine Rundell. For our end of day read we will be reading 'What will I see in Brazil?' by Baby Professor.

#### **English**

This term, our core text will be 'The Jungle Book'. We will cover a range of grammar elements over the half term in preparation for the final piece of writing.

The children will be writing a flashback from the perspective of Mowgli.

#### **Science**

Our first topic this term is 'Light'. Children will learn about how light travels and why we are able to see things. They will discuss and understand the difference between sources of light and objects that may be reflective, transparent, translucent or opaque.

#### Geography

This term, we will be exploring the geographical features of Brazil, particularly looking at climate, physical and human features as well. Pupils will be using their skills to make comparisons between the UK and Brazil.

## **PSHCE**

Pupils learn PSHCE through daily reflection activities, assemblies and PSHCE days which are held half termly. This term our topic is 'Making responsible choices'.

## **Maths**

During this half term, we will be focusing on developing children's mathematical fluency and times tables recall.

Within lessons, children will cover topics such as place value and calculations. A typical lesson will consist of a range of fluency, reasoning and problem-solving questions.

#### History

This term we will be learning about Ancient Greece. Our historical analysis skills will be developed by gathering content, processing information then communicating and presenting this in a variety of ways. We will use our understanding of Ancient Greece to understand mythology, art and architecture.

## **Computing**

We will be focusing on internet safety this term and will be supporting children in becoming responsible digital citizens. We will also be learning about cyber-bullying and how we can avoid and report it.

## RE

This half term, pupils will be exploring the big question, 'Does religion help us to understand human suffering?' Throughout the unit, pupils will learn to speak sensitively about religion, make connections between religions and use appropriate religious vocabulary.

# **REMINDER**

- **Read** every day for 20 minutes at least and ensure an adult sign their reading record every day. Children are encouraged to use the question stems in their reading record to check their understanding of what they have read.
- Practise their **times tables** on TTRS.
- Practise their **spellings** ready for their test each Monday.
- Homework is sent home on Fridays and must be returned on or before the following Wednesday.
- Full **PE kit** should be worn to school on PE days.

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