

Year Six Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 2



Dates for your diary:

- Training Day - Monday 20th November.
- School closes for Christmas on Friday 15th December and re-opens on Tuesday 2nd January.

This half-term, Year 6 will be learning...

English

We will continue exploring the text 'Boy 87' and answer a range of reading questions associated with it.

We will be writing a range of genres to begin to build a portfolio which will be used to determine attainment in Writing at the end of the year. This term will include persuasive letters and developing the children's use of conjunctions to ensure they have a varied range of sentence types.

We encourage children to read as much as possible and children should record their daily reading in their reading records.

Spellings are also really important as they contribute to their overall SPaG score in the SATs and can influence their attainment in writing. Children should all be bringing home their weekly spellings and can access Spelling Shed at home and at school.

Mathematics

Children will continue learning how to solve problems involving the four operations, including a focus on the order of operations. We will also focus on fractions and complete different calculations associated with them.

Children have access to a range of interactive computer programs which will really help their maths learning.

TT Rock Stars can be accessed online @ <https://ttrockstars.com/>

Science

Children will complete a unit of work on the circulatory system. They will learn to identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood. They will recognise the impact of diet, exercise, drugs and lifestyle on the way their bodies function.

History

Children are exploring Ancient Greece. We will be exploring the differences between the mighty cities of Sparta and Athens and life within these places. We will delve into the armies of Ancient Greeks and their soldiers. We will look at the architecture and beliefs of the Ancient Greek civilisation as well as famous scholars of that time.

DT

After the completion of our final piece of art work, children will begin work on producing a soft toy! They will evaluate a range of products before designing and making their own. This always proves to be an incredibly popular unit of work.

R.E.

We will continue learning about the sacred texts of a range of religions. These will include The Qur'an and The Guru Granth Sahib.

Computing

Basic Skills Mini Module 2 Learners will develop their typing and presentation skills in an activity linked to their Topic work. Introduction to Spreadsheets Google Sheets This module introduces learners to spreadsheets. They will be supported in organising data into columns and rows to create their own data set. Learners will be taught the importance of formatting data to support calculations. They will be introduced to formulas and they will begin to understand how they can be used to produce calculated data. Learners will be taught how to apply formulas. They will use spreadsheets to plan an event and answer questions. Learners will create charts and evaluate their results in comparison to questions asked.

French

In French we will continue learning about sports in French and how to have a conversation about our favourite sport. We will also revise the French alphabet and be able to spell the names of some French sports.

P.E

Outdoor - Basketball - Children will be developing their knowledge, skills and understanding of the game of basketball. They will develop and apply a wider range of skills and tactics when competing in small sided games. Children will understand how to use teammates to their advantage as well as a range of defensive tactics to limit their opponent's opportunities to score points.

Dance - Children will work in partners and in small groups to choreograph a short dance in the genre of street dance. They will be introduced to a range of street dance techniques as well as generic choreography skills such as the use of space, timing and different levels to create a street dance which they will perform to the rest of the class.

Homework

- New spellings are given out every **Monday** and are tested the following Monday.
- LBH information will be given out fortnightly on a Friday and children will be tested on Fridays.
- Maths and English homework will be given out every Wednesday and needs to be handed in on Fridays. Homework Club will still run and we welcome new pupils. Please send an email to your child's class teacher or the school office if you would like your child to attend. State on the email whether your child will be collected or if they will walk home independently.

PE

Children need to wear their PE kit (white/blue polo shirt & white/ blue shorts) on Wednesday and Friday please make sure all kit is clearly named. A tracksuit is needed for outdoor PE now the weather is colder.