

# **Year Six Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 1**



We hope you have all had a wonderful holiday and that the children are returning to school feeling refreshed and ready for action!

If you have any questions, please make contact with one of the Year 6 team.

#### **Dates for your diary:**

- PE is on Wednesdays (outdoor) and Fridays (indoor).
- Open Morning - Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September.
- Training Day - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September.
- School closes for October half term on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October** and re-opens on **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> November**.

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

#### **English**

We will be using a fiction text as a starting point for our learning in English. The book we will be reading is *Eleven* by Tom Rogers.

We will be writing in 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.

**We encourage children to read as much as possible and children should complete their school reading log.** If possible, please listen to your child read and allow them access to a wide range of texts. Any reading your child does will benefit them so from the sports reports in Sunday's papers to the depths of Harry Potter, every little helps!

**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**

In Mathematics we will be using the Inspire Maths scheme of work. We will be developing our understanding of numbers up to 10 million, working with fractions and improving our written methods for the four operations.

#### **Science - Electricity**

Our new science topic is all about electricity. Children will be making electrical circuits, as well as learning how to draw detailed circuit diagrams.

#### **History**

Children will be studying Britain Since 1948. We will look closely at migration, the miners' strike and changes in the lives of children since 1948.

### **Art - Landscapes**

The children will explore rural and urban landscapes in art. They will use shape, form, space, colour, texture and pattern to develop and communicate their ideas. They will complete work in the style of a number of artists.

### **R.E.**

Children will further develop their knowledge and understanding of Sikhism including worship practices. The unit helps children to understand more about symbols, commitment and service in Sikhism.

### **Computing - Internet Communication - Google Slides**

Children will: Explore how data is transferred over the Internet. Focus on the makeup and structure of data packets. Look at how the Internet facilitates online communication and collaboration. Complete shared projects online and evaluate different methods of communication. Learn how to communicate responsibly by considering what should and should not be shared on the Internet.

### **PE**

#### **Ultimate Frisbee**

Children will learn the skills necessary to play the invasion game Ultimate Frisbee. They will learn how to pass and catch a frisbee, create space when attacking and work with teammates to limit their opponent's score.

#### **Hockey**

Children will be learning the knowledge and skills necessary to play field hockey. They will learn how to send and receive a hockey ball safely. They will also learn how to travel with a hockey ball and try to outwit opponents in a range of small hockey games.

### **PSHE - Mental health & emotional wellbeing**

Children will learn what mental health is and will recognise that everyone has a state of mental health that can change frequently. They will look at ways of dealing with stress and how people can get help and support.

### **French**

Children will be learning to name different sports in French. They will learn how to have a conversation about the sports by sharing their likes and dislikes.

### Homework

- New spellings are given out every **Monday** and are tested the following Monday.
- **Maths and English homework** is given on a Wednesday and should be handed in on a Friday.
- Children will be given maths facts to learn at home (Learn By Heart). They will be tested on them each week. LBH objectives will be set and tested on a **Monday**. The weekly maths homework will reflect this objective.
- Remember - children can log on to TT Rock Stars at home. We will be having regular 'battles' between classes this year! <https://ttrockstars.com/login>.

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