

Year Six Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 2



Dates for your diary:

- Training Day - Monday 21st November.
- School closes for Christmas on Friday 16th December and re-opens on Tuesday 2nd January.

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

English

We will continue using a fiction text as a starting point for our learning in English and continue reading our novel '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. This term will include character descriptions and letters.

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 divide and multiply fractions using the Inspire scheme of work. We are also having a big push on times tables and maths facts. 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.

PSHE

The children about people who have moved to other places, including the experience of Refugees. They will also learn about human rights and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Geography

Once our History topic is complete, children will complete a detailed study of mountain environments, learning about where in the world they are. We will learn features of mountain environments, particularly those of Mount Snowdon.

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.

Pupils explore stories from the Gospels around Holy Week and the Easter story, and study the celebrations of Jesus' death and resurrection, in an attempt to explain links between scripture sources and Christian beliefs.

Computing

After completing the current unit of work on spreadsheets, we will be looking at the computer programming tool Kodu. The children will use their previous work with Scratch to program and create their own computer games.

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 **Monday** 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.