

# Year 6 Autumn Newsletter



## Maths

As mathematicians this term we will be looking at **place value** over a few weeks, focusing our skills of reasoning and problem solving. We will then look at the **four operations** before moving on to **fractions** and then **geometry: position and direction**.

## English

Our core text this term is **1001 tales from The Arabian Nights** by **Andrew Lang**. Then we will be looking at **William Shakespeare's Macbeth**.

As a writer, we will look at many different genres of writing and begin to build a solid portfolio of writing which will support the children's transition to high school and clearly demonstrates the level at which they can write independently.



## Science



As a scientist we are going to be learning all about **Light and Shadow**.

Also we will look at **Electricity** focusing on building circuits using circuit diagrams.

## Humanities

As historians, we are studying **The Golden Age of Islamic Society**. We will be looking closely at the ancient city of Baghdad and why it was a central part of the world for trade, knowledge and philosophy in this early time.

We will also be looking at **Shakespeare** in a short topic about a part of British History which has shaped the way we read, write and even speak today!

## Religious Education

Our topics in RE are: **Loving**. We will be thinking about how God's love is unconditional. Also we will be looking at the **Vocation and commitment** of members of the church. We will be thinking about what it means to have a vocation and what is required to have commitment.

## Physical Education

PE lessons will take place **every Monday**. Our focus for the term is **Athletics and circuits**. Some PE lessons will take place outside to take advantage of a larger space.



## French

As foreign language speakers this term year 6 will be working on our speaking skills being able to exchange short phrases and even some sentences in French conversation

## Computing

As computer scientists we will be looking at **E-safety**, where we will prepare ourselves to be safe and savvy online. We will also be beginning our unit of algorithms and programming using the platform: **Kodu**.

## Art / Design and Technology

As artists we will be exploring **Drawing and Painting**—We will look at Islamic Art and also be sketching some of the scenes from **Macbeth**.

## Homework

Every week homework will be given on a **Friday** and will be due in on the **Monday**. Tasks will be short and recap what has been done in the week. Spellings will be given on a **Monday** and will be tested on a **Friday**. Children are encouraged to read as often as possible at home and they should bring their reading record and book in **on a Friday**. A new one will be given on **Monday** (chosen by me based on where I think they are currently working.)

