



# Year 6 Newsletter

## Autumn Term



The children are working very hard in the Autumn term to make sure they do their very best in the SATs test in May. With this in mind, we ask that all pupils read at home at least three times a week and continue to practice their times tables regularly.

Please remember, attendance matters. Learning time is incredibly precious and we know that missed lessons can have a big impact on pupils' progress. Unless your child is seriously unwell they should be in school.

If you wish to support your child further, here are some useful websites:

<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/maths/>

<https://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/english/>

### Writing



In our writing sessions we will be writing autobiographies based on our book Rooftoppers, scientific explanatory texts, and Shakespearean Sonnets.

Throughout, children will be developing their punctuation and grammar skills as well as receiving daily spelling sessions.

### Maths



In Mathematics this term, we will be learning how to compare and order numbers up to 10,000,000 and exploring negative numbers. We will also be solving complex problems involving the four operations and exploring properties of number including prime numbers and cubed numbers.

### Reading



Our texts this term include:

- Rooftoppers
- Skellig
- A Christmas Carol

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### History



In History, we will be learning about the most influential British Monarchs in History. We will explore the heroism of William the Conqueror at the battle of Hastings and experience the wrath of Henry the VIII.

### Geography



In geography we will be completing a comparative study of three different areas in the world: The Lake District, The Tatra mountains in Poland and the Caribbean. We will explore the climate, physical features and wildlife.

### Science



Throughout the term, pupils will investigate the way in which living things are classified through the study of Carl Linnaeus' work. We will also explore the properties of light.

### Art



Pupils will be developing their skills in drawing by looking at the influential artist Frida Kahlo. We will then move onto painting and collage skills.



### PSHE

Our learning this term focuses on the effects of drug and alcohol use, and human rights.

### DT



Our units in design this term include:

- Nutrition – Can street food save us?
- Mechanisms – How do pulleys and gears let you see the world?

### PE



This term, our P.E curriculum covers:

- Games (Tag Rugby)
- Dance (Football)
- Gymnastics (Body Symmetry)
- Games (Hockey)

### RE



In RE we will be learning about Islam. We will also be learning about the importance of Christmas to Christians.