



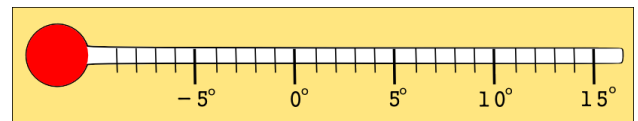
Wessex Class Newsletter Term 1



English- This term, in Year 6, we will be using the book 'Skellig' in both our reading and writing lessons. We will explore the themes and vocabulary within the book before producing some setting descriptions based on the story. We will recap on grammar and punctuation as well as descriptive techniques such as figurative language. Our non-fiction unit will be using the picture book 'The Viewer' to write diary entries.



Maths- We will be consolidating and developing our knowledge of place value, using 7 digit numbers, decimals and negative numbers. Our counting work will revolve around this as well. Also, we will practise our written methods for multiplication and division. Finally, we will build on our work using multiplication and division by learning about the order of operations.



History- Our topic this term is the Mysterious Mayans. We are going to use our History skills to learn about this fascinating ancient civilization and their wonderfully strange way of life; they ate chocolate and had their version of football!



Science- In Science this term, we will be learning about Earth and Space. We will find out about the solar system, phases of the moon and shadows. We will carry out investigations and enquires to deepen this knowledge.



What else are we learning?

In **Art**, we will be learning how we can transfer our 2D drawing into 3D model making by creating sculptures. Our **PSHE** learning this term is Being Me in My World. We will be reflecting on our own worries, hopes and goals for Year 6. In **PE**, we will be developing our tag rugby skills. Our **RE** lessons will focus on Islam and the enquiry question "What is the best way for a Muslim to show commitment to God?" In **Computing**, we will be learning about how data is transferred over the internet as well as developing our understanding of online safety. In **French**, we will be developing our understanding of the phonics and pronunciation.

What do we need to remember?

It is important for every child to read every day at home. They will have a reading book matched to their reading level and a reading for pleasure book. Reading books and reading records should be in school **every day**. Spellings will also be sent home for children to practise. Children need to come to school ready for Outdoor learning on **Fridays (am)** and PE will be on **Tuesdays**. They need to be prepared for all weather in Forest School, including waterproofs, wellies and green forest school hoodies.

