

# Year 6 Newsletter

## Middleton Parish Church School

Spring 2 2023

### English Reading

This half term in reading, we will be focusing on the skills and techniques needed for SATs in preparation for the tests in May. This will mean looking at a range of questions based on retrieval, words in context and inference. We will use a range of fiction and non-fiction texts including past SATs papers.

### Writing

In writing, we will be using Shakespeare's Hamlet as a stimulus for writing for a range of purposes from letters to play scripts.



### Reading

#### Class Novel

This half term we will be reading Cloud Busting by Malorie Blackman. Davey is the new boy in class and Sam can't stand him. He thinks Davey is a Grade A moron. But when the two are thrown together Sam discovers that Davey's eccentric way of looking at the world makes life a lot more fun. Until the day something terrible happens...

#### Reading Books and Boom reader!

Boom Reader is back! As we begin the second term, it is as important as ever that children are reading at home every night. Children can do this independently and log what they have read on the app. Staff at school will then ask questions about the text before books are changed and children will need to complete a book review.

Should children have a home reading book they would like to read, please send it into school for teachers to check it provides enough challenge to support progression in reading – teachers will then add this book to boom reader, which was previously Go Read.

Adults in school aim to read with all children at least once a week.



### Geography

The key question which leads our Geography learning this half-term is 'How does our food get from field to fork?' The children will look at trade routes, Fairtrade. Globalisation and how and why goods are imported and exported to and from the UK.



### Maths

In maths this term we will be revising topics linked with shape such as area, perimeter and volume, angles and properties of shape. We will also continue to revise all aspects of the key stage 2 curriculum in preparation for SATs. Please ensure that you are supporting your children at home to complete any homework set and to ensure they are fluent in their recall of times tables facts.



### Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mrs Martin or Miss Grindrod please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is [y6@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:y6@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk)

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

### Celebration Assemblies

Celebration assemblies continue this term. You will be receiving a letter in the coming weeks with details of the date and time for your child's slot. We cannot wait to celebrate our achievements with you!



### Important Dates

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Finish for Easter break 2pm Finish.

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April – return to school for the summer term

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Mock SATs week

### P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School will be on a Monday for Year 6. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor uniform on a Monday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag. In PE, 6L's will be focusing on Team Building and Problem Solving and 6S's focus is Gymnastics.

### PSHE

Our Heart Smart topic is 'Don't Run It In, Rub It Out.' In this topic, we are thinking about forgiveness and how best to resolve disputes so that we can demonstrate that we are HeartSmart.



### Religious Education

In R.E. we are going to be answering the question Who Was Jesus? We will be looking at how Jesus is portrayed and interpreted through stories in the Bible and making connections between the concepts of incarnation and salvation.



### SATs

As we work towards SATs week, beginning Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May, this term we will be working on ensuring that the children are as prepared as possible. We will continue to revise aspects of the key stage 2 curriculum and we will also be holding a mock SATs week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> April, which is after we return from the Easter break, so that children have a better understanding of what is to be expected. If you have any questions about this or other aspects of year 6, please do not hesitate to contact us.

### Interventions

Ahead of SATs, there are currently lots of interventions underway to support children in whatever capacity we feel they need in order to achieve their full potential. For these interventions to have maximum impact, children need to attend them regularly and on time if they are first thing in a morning. Please support us in ensuring your child is here on time.