

Year 6 Curriculum Letter



Autumn 1

Welcome back! We hope you have had a lovely summer break. Below is a basic outline of some of the exciting things your children will be learning this half term.

Please remember reading books are to be in school every day. PE kits should be kept in school.

English



Please continue to read with your child at home, commenting in your child's reading record. We will continue to work on our spelling, punctuation and grammar - homework will focus on these skills. Every child knows that they are to continue working on their spellings and reading at home.

During our curriculum lessons, we will be reading the novel 'Amazon Adventure' by Willard Price. As a year group, we will analyse the text and identify key information about what

we have read and use this to inform our own pieces of writing. There will be a focus on descriptive writing and children will plan, draft and publish their own short adventure chapter.

We will also be reading a range of short biographies based on a range of different celebrities. Children will then have the opportunity to research, plan and write a biography based on a given famous person.

Maths

For the first part of the term, we will be learning about place value up to millions including decimals, how to round numbers to the nearest 10, 100, 1000 and whole numbers in the case of decimals. Negative numbers will be taught, and children will then have to apply their knowledge to solve problems. The rest of the term will be spent on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children will use the formal written methods including long division and multiplication. Again, they will have to apply their knowledge to problem solving.

Creative Curriculum

Our theme this half term is Survival! We will be learning all about evolution, inheritance and survival of the fittest in our science lessons. In Geography we will be looking at landmarks of the world, debating the impact of tourism on the world and how climate and weather patterns can change. We will be learning the locations of major rivers and mountains around the world. In Art we will be developing our use of dry media and then using camouflage in the wild to create a final piece using a wide range of fine shading and tonal techniques.



RE

This half term we are looking at Life as a Journey. The children will look at religious journeys and different pilgrimages. They will think about how these journeys affect the person both spiritually and as a person.

PE

We have outdoor PE on a Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. Please ensure children are in their correct PE kit, black shorts or joggers and a red PE top. Children can wear trainers which are one colour or pumps. With the weather turning cold, we strongly advise warm clothing to suit all conditions. We can't wait to play some games!

Computing

Our Computing lessons this half term will be developing our Coding skills. We will begin by learning how to use design mode and how to use repeat tools to loop actions indefinitely. From this we will develop on to using variables and then applying knowledge to create a program that recreates a physical system.

PSHE

In PSHE we are going to be looking at the idea of "Growth Mindset" and how we can use this powerful way of thinking to improve every aspect of our learning journey. We can't wait to see just how much we change! We will then move onto looking at "Relationships".

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