

Year 6 Curriculum Letter

Autumn Term 1 2023

Hello and welcome to Year 6. 6W are taught by Mr Ward with Mrs Desai supporting the class and 6R is taught by Mrs Rossall with Miss Harrison supporting this class. 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. Homework is given out on a Wednesday and needs to be back in by the following Monday.

English

In the first half term we will be looking at a famous piece of classic fiction. We will be exploring "Goodnight Mr Tom" which is set in the countryside at the start of World War 2. We will develop our retrieval and inference skills as well as consolidating key skills we must be secure in e.g. capital letters, commas and inverted commas. After this unit we will spend some time looking at biographies of famous historical figures from World War 2.

Maths

For the first half term we will begin by looking at our place value skills up to 10,000,000 including ordering, sorting and identifying values of different places. We will then be looking at the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division and finding the most efficient methods for each.

History

This term our topic is "A World at War". Our focus is on World War 2 and the impact this had on Britain. Our History will look at how WW2 began and what this meant for people in Europe. We will discuss the concepts of appeasement and how life was for the evacuees. We will further this by looking at what life was like for the German civilians. The concept of the "Home Front" will be widely explored; how ordinary citizens played their part and the difficulties of rationing that affected the nation.





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.

PF

6W have multi-skills with Junior Jam on a Tuesday afternoon and Gymnastics on a Thursday afternoon. 6R have Netball on a Wednesday afternoon and Gymnastics on a Thursday afternoon. P.E kits are to be worn, long hair tied back with earrings removed. Water bottles are essential to keep the children hydrated.



World War II

Science

Our Science lessons this half term will focus on the concept of light. We will be exploring how light travels in straight lines including reflecting off surfaces and into our eyes. We will then learn how the light is interpreted and processed by the various parts which make up our eyes.

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"

I can do it growth

Junior Jam

Computing: Through iRemix pupils will be learning all about remixing and sampling. They will look into a number of different ways to remix a song each lesson. They will try adding vocal effects to stems, creating live loops and layering them, as well as changing the genre of a song to something unexpected. During the final few sessions the pupils will create their own remix of a song of their choosing.

Spanish: The children will practise how to ask and answer questions about where they live and who they live with. This will include revising types of homes and family members. They will also learn a broad range of vocabulary related to parts of a house and items commonly found in a bedroom. Additionally, they will learn how to apply this vocabulary to construct sentences using the verb 'there is/there are' and answer questions such as 'What is there in your house?' or 'What is there in your bedroom?'. The children will also be taught some prepositions of place to describe the location of items in the bedroom. The children will review the grammatical concept of adjectival agreement, which involves using the correct gender and number when describing parts of a house and items in the bedroom.

To reinforce their learning, pupils will participate in a variety of activities, such as games, reading, listening, speaking, and writing tasks.

P.E. (6W): The children will learn to run, jog, skip, stretch and balance with confidence and imagination, all the while with safety in mind. They will learn a basic understanding of control and coordination. Awareness of space, of themselves and others will be taught.

Activities will encourage pupils to travel around, under, over and through various forms of apparatus and equipment. Pupils will learn how to use a range of small and large pieces of equipment in a basic, safe and controlled manner.

Music (6R): The pupils will take a look at the music industry and what happens when a song has been written. Pupils will be given a brief at the beginning of the course to write a single for their new EP. The children will be taught what an EP is, be asked to create a band name, name their song, think of a theme for their EP and song, and learn about press releases. Alongside creating their brand, children will learn about key points of the music industry.