Summer Term 1 2021

Curriculum Newsletter for Parents

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Dear Parents.

Welcome back! We hope you managed to enjoy your Easter holidays and now enjoying the restrictions being lifted slightly. It was great to speak with you all on the phone before we broke up for the holidays. It is a busy half term here in Year 6, below is some information about what your child will be learning. If you have any questions then please do get in touch.

Mathematics

We will be studying the following topics in Maths during this half term:

- Ratio and Proportion
- Data Handling
- Geometry- Shape and Position

We will also be revising and reviewing previous Maths topics that were taught online during the lockdown.

- Measurement
- Algebra

Computing

In Computing we will be looking at spreadsheets and the formulas that make spreadsheets work! We will be compiling data and creating charts based on individual research that the children are going to carry out. They will learn individual formulas that will help them create these charts.

P.E

Where possibly we will be taking the children outside for the Daily Mile to really stretch their lungs! In P.E lessons we will be learning about cricket and tennis, two hugely popular sports! Now the weather is better it is essential that they bring their PE kit so they can access all that cricket and tennis have to offer!

Our P.E lessons will now be on Fridays but your child can bring their kit in at any point throughout the week.

Geography

Our new topic will be looking at fieldwork and mapping. The areas we will be covering are:

- Grid references
- Directional language
- Tube Maps
- Different styles of maps
- World maps, maps of the UK, tube maps, museum maps
- Map Symbols

English

The children will be reading and studying the book 'Floodland'. This text will enable the children to focus on common themes within stories. They will also be looking at how suspense is created in a story. The pieces of work that the children will be completing during this unit are:

- Diary entries
- SOS message in a bottle
- Poetry
- Character descriptions

In Grammar, the children will be focusing on :

- Past progressive form
- Using the active and passive voice

Science

Our Science topic this half term is called "Light and Sight". We will be studying how light travels and how different parts of the eye help us to see. We will be conducting all sorts of fun experiments outside where we will be looking at shadows and other things that light create.

PSHE

Our PSHE lessons will look at relationships. We will discuss our own feelings and how others make us feel.

Added to this, we will be talking a lot about our transition into Secondary School and how our days at Primary School have readied us for the big step up. We will be talking about friendships, having lots of teachers, finding your way round bigger buildings, and everything else Secondary School entails!

RE

We will be looking at Witnesses and how we can be a witness. This topic will also give us the opportunity to learn about Stephen who was chosen to spread the word and Lydia who was witness to the Easter message. We will be really delving into the role Jesus' disciples played in his journey to giving us eternal life and how they witnessed his love for us and the world.

Art and DT

We will be looking at different landscapes and how we can represent these on our own, homemade map of Dagenham. We will also look to recreate elements of the London Underground system based on our needs here in Dagenham, seeing how we can use directional language and grid references to make it all seamless and workable!

Dates for the diary

Wednesday 21st April- Police visiting Year 6 Monday 24th May - Thursday 27th May- St Peter's SATs week