

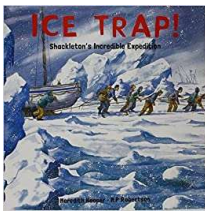


Year 6 Term 4 Newsletter

Welcome to Term 4!

We hope you all had a fantastic break and we look forward to welcoming the children back for another exciting term ahead.

In Term 4, we will be reading the book *Ice Trap! Shackleton's Incredible Expedition* by Meredith Hooper and M.P Robertson. This text will form the basis of our reading and writing lessons.



We will continue to follow our three-phase approach within our reading and writing lessons, making strong links between the two. We will look into Shackleton's journey in depth with our final writing outcomes being a recipe, a fictional retell and a biography. We will also complete a range of shorter pieces of writing which will enable children to practise and embed their writing skills.

In Maths, we will begin to look at finding simple and complex percentages of amounts; ratio and scale factors; measurement (including converting metric units and time) and algebraic formulae, sequences and notations. We will also continue to develop our arithmetic skills with daily fluency and '7 in 7' sessions.

Our Science learning this term will be based around evolution and inheritance. We will look into how living things have changed over time and how plants and animals have adapted to suit their environment.

Our History lessons will link closely with our text for the term, *Ice Trap!* We will be answering the question 'What are the achievements of Christopher Columbus and Sir Francis Drake?' looking into notable explorers as Shackleton was.

In RE, we are looking at Christianity and the theme of Easter. We will look at answering the question 'Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth?' over the course of our RE lessons.

We will continue to have weekly Online Safety lessons. In these lessons, we will focus on health, well-being and lifestyle. This will link closely with our PSHE lessons where we will be thinking about how we can keep ourselves healthy and why this is important in every stage of life.

In Art this term, we will be creating our own cartoon families using inspiration from Matt Groening's cartoons.

We will be focussing on cricket in P.E this term and continuing with our 15-minute daily mile sessions. Our P.E days will be Wednesday.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday and needs to be returned the following Wednesday. Reading records should also be updated and handed in on a Wednesday to be checked please - we would like to see children reading and recording these five times per week. To encourage independence, children are able to write in their own reading records in Year 6.

Thank you for your continued support.

Meet the team

Please email your child's class teacher if there is anything you wish to discuss.

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