

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 Holes by Louis Sachar. This text will form the basis of our reading lessons as well as being our reading for pleasure text.







In writing, we will be watching the short film clip 'Lighthouse' and using this as inspiration to write a story. We will also use the nonfiction text 'Can We Save the Tiger?' by Martin Jenkins. This will be the basis of our balanced argument using the same question.

In Maths, we will be focussing on statistics, algebra and geometry linked to position and direction and properties of shapes. We will also be working through problem solving questions and continue with our daily MOT and fluency sessions to improve our arithmetic and reasoning skills.

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 Geography lessons will link closely with our reading text for the term, Holes. We will be answering the question 'Would you like to live in a desert?' We will explore Death Valley and what life is like there.

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 inspired by Georgia O'Keefe's work with watercolours to paint a desert landscape.

We will be focussing on volleyball in P.E this term; our PE day will continue to be on a 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.

<u>Meet the team</u> Please email your child's class teacher if there is anything you wish to discuss.

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