

# Curriculum Newsletter

## Waltham Holy Cross - Spring Term 2025

We are Year 6: 6F, 6H, 6K



### Welcome Back

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you have had a relaxing time with family and friends over the holiday period. This term the children will continue to develop their reading with daily reading lessons, exploring a range of genres including poetry. They will also continue to master times tables and develop their reasoning skills using new and revised methods in their math's lessons.

### P.E.

All children in Year 6 will have a PE lesson on a Tuesday with our specialist sports coach. They will also have one other PE during the week with their class teacher. 6K and 6H (Wednesday) and 6F (Thursday).

The sports they will cover this term are, Dodgeball, Gymnastics, Fitness and Tennis.

### Maths

In maths we are continuing to study fractions including percentages and decimals. We will also be looking at converting measurements, area and perimeter, ratio, and algebra. Pupils will also complete a fortnightly mental maths test in class and daily calculations to support their fluency in the four methods of calculation.

### Home reading

Please continue to read on a **daily** basis with your child and remind them to bring in their home / schoolbook every day. Children will continue to visit the library each week so that they can change their banded books and also choose a reading for pleasure book.

### Useful websites to help with homework

- <https://learning.parliament.uk/en/resources/>  
<http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/maths/index.html>

Thank you for your continued support, it is much appreciated!

Mrs Khodabux, Mrs Harland and Miss Kipps

### English

We will start the Spring term by reading Little Badman and the Killer Aunties by Humza Arshad. Children will consider figurative language including to describe characters and create their own stories. We will also be reading 'The Final Year' by Matt Goodfellow. Children will have the opportunity to explore recounts in the form of diary entry writing.



## Computing – Web Page Creation

Using computing literacy skills, pupils will create a web page with a few browser tabs based on something of their interest.

## History – Parliament

Our history topic this term focuses on Parliament. The children will understand what Parliament is and the difference between Parliament and a Government. They will explore how laws are made, what an election is and what have been the main changes over time in Parliament.

## Science – Light

As scientists we will be studying and investigating Light by investigating the eye and the angles, we see things. We will complete investigations through testing of materials best used to form shadows and changing the size of shadows.

## Art – Make My Voice Heard

In Art we will be learning Messages. Pupils will research word art by Ben Eine and experiment and create their own. They will also explore the use of typography.

## Geography – Natural Resources

In geography, children will be studying natural resources. They will look at where our power comes from; the difference between renewable and non-renewable energy; where our food comes from; and the impact we are having on our environment.

## Religion and World Views

Children will philosophically explore and discuss various sufferings in the world and how Buddhism copes with it in their daily lives.

## Also...

In Year 6, until 31<sup>st</sup> January 2025, homework will be set online, using the trialled Mathletics platform. There will be no homework books.

**Mathletics** – 2x tasks weekly

**TTRS** – please aim for 3x per week

**Spelling Shed** – weekly

Children should practise their spellings online, ready for a spelling test on a Friday.

