

English

In English we will be continuing to develop pupils' use of 'Talk for Writing'. The children will be writing fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. The first half term will see the pupils analyse how authors provide the reader with a sense of suspense. Our focus for this genre will be The Caravan - a short story that shows how writers create atmosphere and tension.

We will be developing fluency and comprehension reading skills through our English lessons and guided reading sessions. Pupils will continue to read, enjoy and discuss a range of high-quality age-appropriate texts across a variety of genres. Our class book for the autumn term is Who Let the Gods Out? by Maz Evans. It is sure to test the pupils' prediction and inference skills, and links wonderfully to our Ancient Greece topic. Spelling, punctuation and grammar curriculum requirements will also be a key focus throughout all of our written work.

Useful Websites: BBC Bitesize, Topmarks and Spellingshed.

Science

The topic for the first half term is 'Let it Shine' where children will learn about how light travels from a source and can be reflected. The children will be using scientific vocabulary and developing fair testing during this topic. Later in the term we will be looking at electricity.

Computing

E-safety remains the priority in computing lessons as we work through our 'Searching the Web' unit. We will be looking at how search results are presented and which ones we can trust.

Dates for your diary...

12/9/22 Y6 Parents' Update Meeting 2:45 to 3:30p.m.

8/12/23 - Y6 Ancient Greek Day

Please see the Red Hall Newsletter for any whole school events.

Homework will be sent out weekly for Maths or English. The children will be using CGP books for English to practise the skills they have learnt in class. Pupils are expected to read regularly at home and we ask parents to sign their child's planner weekly.

Autumn Term Curriculum Newsletter Year 6

A very warm welcome back to you all!

Our year 6 team:

Mrs Lewis

Miss Richards

Mrs Woodberry

History & Geography

For this term our topic is Ancient Greece'. The children will be placing the key events from the era on a timeline and locating Greece on the map. We will be looking at how the physical geography of the country and islands contributed to the formation of the city-states. The Greek Gods will be studied, as there are many links to our class-reading book: Who Let the Gods Out? The children have already started to identify some words in the English language that originate from the Greek's language.

Art/D.T.

The children will learn about the art and sculpture of the Ancient Greeks. We will use this as inspiration for our clay pots. In D.T. we are designing electrical systems to create quiz boards.

Maths

In maths this term the units we will be covering are, firstly, place value - where we will be extending our knowledge of the place value columns and how this affects the value of a number's digits. Year 6 will also be looking at negative numbers. Comparing, ordering and rounding also feature in this block.

We are then moving on to calculations. In this unit we will be calculating with the four operations and securing our methods as well as looking at efficient mental methods. We will be introducing long division too. This work will enable the children to work fluently with calculations to solve real-life problems.

Fractions feature in the second half term and we will be adding, subtracting and multiplying them. Year 6 will extend to dividing fractions by whole numbers.

Converting units will conclude the term for our pupils.

Useful Websites: TT Rock Stars and BBC Bitesize.

P.E.

PE this term focuses on making sure the children are getting active playing a variety of team games. This will see Mr Collins develop many activities that develop the children's skills, knowledge, and teamwork.

Music

Y6 will be looking at advanced rhythms and dynamics. **P.S.H.E. Our first topic is about valuing diversity; challenging discrimination and stereotypes. We will then move onto influences and attitudes to money, money and financial risks.**

RE

Our RE work this term focuses on The Bible.

French

We begin with verbs and vocabulary linked to 'I am able to...'