

## English

In English we will be continuing to develop pupils' fluency and comprehension skills through daily 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 spring term is Letters from the Lighthouse by Emma Carroll, which is sure to test the pupils' prediction and inference skills.

The children will be writing fiction and non-fiction texts. The first half term will see the pupils analyse the language and features of narrative with a focus on characterisation, before they write in role as Cliff and Sukie from our class book. We will also be writing a flashback based on 'The Piano' which has links to our history topic. Our SPaG skills will be applied throughout the curriculum and in free-writing opportunities.

Spelling, punctuation and grammar curriculum requirements will also be a key focus.

## Science

The topic for the term is the Circulatory System. We are hoping to visit Ellowes Hall to take part in a dissection lesson - more details to follow...

## Computing

E-safety remains the priority in computing lessons. Year 6 will be using variables in games and looking at spreadsheets.

## Dates for your Diary:

27<sup>th</sup> January 3:30p.m. SATS Meeting for Parents

29<sup>th</sup> January Y6 World War II Day

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> March - Progress Meeting Evenings

5<sup>th</sup> March -World Book Day

## Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter Year 6

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

Our year 6 team are:

Mrs Lewis, Miss Richards, Mrs Shaw  
and Mrs Greenway

## Maths

Year 6 are building on their fraction work and moving on to decimals and percentages this term. In these units we will be calculating with decimals and solving problems with percentages. This work will enable the children to work fluently with equivalent fractions, decimals and percentages to solve real-life problems. We move through the term to Ratio and Proportion as well as starting Algebra.

Later in the term year 6 will be working on statistics.

Useful Websites: TT Rock Stars, BBC Bitesize and SATS COMPANION can be used for practice in maths and English (not just homework).

Homework will be given out weekly. Each week the children can log onto SATS Companion to complete their homework. Please encourage your child to watch the accompanying video if they get stuck.

Year 6 pupils are expected to read and change their home reader books regularly.

P.E.: this half-term focuses on gymnastics and dance. Outdoor Adventurous Activities (OAA) is in the second half of the term.

PE is on Wednesday for 6L and Friday for 6R.

Music: We will be exploring advanced rhythms. In the second half term we will be exploring the use of music in film.

P.S.H.E.: Health and wellbeing will be our topic and we are looking at ways to deal with loss and change.

RE: Our RE work this term focuses on Journeys and Talking about God leading up to the Easter story.

## History

We start the term looking at World War II.. The children will be placing the key events from the war on a timeline and locating the countries involved on the map. We will look at how the war began and the role that Britain played during the conflict, both at home, and abroad. To find out how World War II affected our locality, we will look at where bombs were dropped nearby and local news reports from the time.

## Geography

In Geography, we will be looking at the economic activity of the U.K. and how sustainable it is. This unit explores how the physical geography of the U.K. impacts farming and manufacturing activities.