

Year six autumn term newsletter September 2017



Year 6 is a busy and enjoyable year for both pupils and staff. The Year 6 team have been pleased with the positive start the children have made and we are looking forward to a successful year.

EQUIPMENT - A reminder that all children need a drawstring bag that will fit in their cubby hole, a pencil case with pens, pencils, ruler, rubber and a sharpener, and correct PE kit *including plimsolls* and trainers. School shoes should be worn to and from school every day and long hair should be tied up. No nail polish or jewellery should be worn with the exception of stud earrings.

CURRICULUM

English - Over the Autumn term we will look at fiction stories in various genres. Our non-fiction range includes diaries, letters, recounts and reports.

Maths - We will continue to consolidate and develop key skills in all areas. Other topics include: place value; multiplication and division; real life problems, fractions, decimals and percentages; data handling and shape and space work.

Science - We explore living things and their habitats and how to classify different groups.

Topic - Our history topic is Britain since 1930. We will concentrate on the Home Front including evacuation, The Blitz, rationing and propaganda. If you have any resources at home such as ration books, photographs etc which we could borrow then we would be delighted to use them.

Evacuation Day is scheduled for Tuesday 12th September.

Computing - This term we will be looking at online safety and the history of computing.

Music - Music includes the relationship between lyrics and melodies using a range of songs including war songs and early pop.

Art - Art begins with a look at figures and the paintings of LS Lowry. Later on, DT will focus on Shelters.

PE - Indoor PE will begin with gymnastics. In outdoor games children will be focussing on their individual co-ordination skills and team games. Please ensure children have outdoor wear for all weather conditions including a tracksuit as the cold weather has already arrived!

PSHE - As the children begin thinking about their next school, we will be discussing rights and responsibilities. We will think about strategies to cope with new situations that they may find themselves in and how to keep safe.

RE - This term we will be thinking about what Muslims believe and the Muslim way of life. In the second part of Autumn we will be looking at Christian pilgrimages and the meaning behind Christmas.



HOMEWORK OVERVIEW

Autumn 1	Autumn 2
Reading A minimum of 10 mins per day	Reading A minimum of 10 mins per day
English Activities 40 mins per week	English Activities 40 mins per week
Maths 40 minutes per week	Maths 40 minutes per week
Science investigation 30 minutes per week	WWII Topic Work 30 minutes per week

Maths is set on Monday and will consist of 2 tasks. Task 1 will consist of a game, online activity or a simple exercise which is not required to be handed in for marking. Task 2 will be a written task which will need to be in on Thursdays to be marked. English is set on Thursday and will also consist of two tasks in the same manner as maths. Task 2 will be handed in on Mondays to be marked. In addition your child will receive half termly project based around another curriculum subject which will be shared and celebrated at the end of each half term. All homework is expected to be completed.

Reading: Please ensure that you hear your child read, or discuss your child's reading, every day for at least 10 minutes as it is incredibly important in aiding their learning in all areas of the curriculum. Please ensure you note down what they have read in your child's new homework diary so that this can be recorded for our half-termly reading reward.

We hope this information is helpful.

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