

Year 6 Summer Term Update

A Message from the Class Teachers

Summer term will be a busy one for Year 6. The children will soon be past SATs week and looking forward to the Residential Trip.

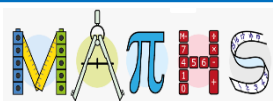
On Friday afternoons the children attend Blue Coat University. This term both Year 6 classes are taking part in Design Technology rotations. 6L have Book Illustration with Miss James. 6C have Textiles/Food with Mrs Grieve.

Homework tasks are planned to support the work done in class. Please ensure your child's homework is always completed. Every week Year 6 will have:-

- Two Mathletics tasks
 - 1000 Mathletics points
 - 1000 Readwriter points on weekly spelling list (copy sent home on Monday)
- Our spelling test will continue to be on Friday morning.
- One SATs Companion task
 - At least 20 minutes per day reading



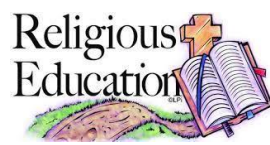
Our novel for this term's reading lessons is "Kensuke's Kingdom" by Michael Morpurgo. This tells the adventure story of Michael, who mysteriously disappears the night before his twelfth birthday. We will develop our writing skills to produce a balanced argument, a persuasive speech and an instructional text. We will use the dark fantasy animation Alma to inspire a creative narrative.



In maths we are working on the properties of 2D and 3D shape. We will use protractors, draw shapes accurately and recognise the nets of shapes. We will focus on problem solving. We will explore a unit on Statistics and look at data, pie charts and graphs.



This term, in our topic of living things and their habitats, we will be describing how living things, including plants, animals and micro-organisms, are classified into broad groups according to their common characteristics. We will also be taking the opportunity to further develop our science investigation and data handling skills. We will be carrying out a number of fair tests, where we will collect and analyse data, draw conclusions and evaluate our methods in order to improve the validity and reliability of our data.



The two units for this term are “Incarnation” which explores the question “Was Jesus the Messiah?” and “Creation/Fall” which looks at the book of Genesis and the debate between science and faith.



Having fun in the UK! What’s changed since the Romans left?
We will look at the major technological inventions and key social changes that have affected having fun and leisure time.



This term we are looking at mapwork. We will learn about 6 figure grid references, contours, and latitude and longitude.



In Music we are going to focus on rhythm and percussion. We are then going to focus on singing as part of an end of year performance. Y6 pupils will be given a chosen song that they will learn and rehearse. They will learn to perform in parts and perform in a school assembly at the end of the year.



In Art we will be continuing our focus on Human Form and looking at the works of Giacometti. We will explore the design brief ‘Depict a scene from your life in the future’ whilst developing our designing and sculpting skills.



In our final term together, we will be looking at networks, media stereotyping and making a stop-motion animation to link in with the game we made on Scratch. I can’t wait!



This term we will be completing a school wide project called ‘This is Me’. We will be looking at ways to raise our self esteem and why it is important to have a positive mindset. We will also think about what makes us special and unique as well as what makes a positive friendship.



This term in our French lessons, we will be learning more about France itself as well as the names of seasons, talking about seasonal activities, saying the date and when their birthdays are.



During our PE lessons, we will be focusing on Athletics. In Year 6 our focus will be the 'Throwing Events', where we will be trying to get the correct technique for activities such as: Javelin, Shot Put and Discus, whilst still trying to get distance. In the second half of the term we will be looking at 'Striking and Fielding', where our focus will be on Rounders.

If you have any concerns, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Year 6 team.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Lake, Mrs Copeland, Miss James and Mrs Curtis