

<u>Curriculum Newsletter – Year 6</u> <u>Autumn 1</u>

Value of the term: Kindness

Dear Families,

We are looking forward to the new term. Here is an overview of the learning we will be covering. We hope you will be able to support your child's learning at home by reading with them and talking about the work they are doing in class.

Maths

In maths we will be revising our place value knowledge from previous years and learn about place value to 10,000,000. We will explore negative numbers and rounding with a focus on applying these skills to reasoning problems. We will also be working on securing our basic calculation methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.





English

Reading

In reading, we will be revising the different question types that the children will encounter in the SATs paper and each day, will have regular fluency practice. Each child will read a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry extracts and answer questions about vocabulary, inference, prediction, retrieval and summarising. Please can you continue to hear your child read aloud, because this helps build their confidence and you can ask questions about the passage they have read too. Both classes will be reading Kensukes' Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo as our class books.

Writing

In writing, we will be starting the year with discovering a variety of poetry types including Haikus and tankas. We will be writing narratives from another point of view and developing our use of descriptive and ambitious vocabulary to engage the reader. We will be securing our knowledge of word classes, simple, compound and complex sentences and active and passive voice. Our spellings will be completed daily through our Active Spelling scheme.

Science



Our topic in Science is all about animal and plant classification. Throughout this topic children will learn to describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals. They will give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

PSHE

In PSHE this term, we are going to be answering the 'big question' - is having a baby a big commitment? The children will learn about their changing bodies and about relationships.





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<u>PE</u>



Tuesday PE will be taken by Coach Danny who will be teaching the children Tag Rugby.

6B will taking part in swimming lessons at Branston till Christmas as part of their PE curriculum on Friday afternoons.
6D will be learning about Handball.

In this unit pupils develop their understanding of the attacking and defending principles of invasion games.

Computing



In Computing this term, the children will learn about communication and collaboration. Year 6 will explore how data is transferred over the internet. Learners initially focus on addressing, before they move on to the makeup and structure of data packets. They will look at how the internet facilitates online communication and collaboration. Finally, they will learn how to communicate responsibly by considering what should and should not be shared on the internet and how to report concerns about inappropriate content online.

Art



In Art, we will be focussing on our drawing skills. We will use grids to help enlarge sketches and increase accuracy with proportions. We will draw famous landmarks linked to our Geography learning and then turning our 2D pictures into 3D art pieces in the style of the artist Lubaina Himid.

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Geography

As part of our Geography learning, we will be discovering more about London and Rio de Janeiro and how the two cities compare. We will look at physical and human processes, locations, climate and culture and which might be more desirable to visit and why.

<u>RE</u>

In RE, we will be looking to answer the question: What matters most to Christians and Humanists?

In this unit children will learn that not all people are religious, that these people can have their own beliefs and codes for living.



French

In French, year 6 will be trialling Language Angels and learning about objects that are found in the classroom. They will learn to the words and then practice their reading, writing and oracy skills through a variety of activities including songs and interactive games.