



Year 6 News



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Dear Parents/ guardians,

Here is an overview of our learning for this half term. If you have any questions, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can help to resolve them.

Many thanks.

Mrs. Stachurski and Mrs. Stradling.

Maths

This half term we will be concentrating on the following aspects of maths:

- Fractions, decimals and percentages (equivalent FDP, percentages of amounts)
- Area, perimeter and volume (area of triangles, parallelograms, volume of cuboids)
- Statistics (Line graphs and pie charts, the mean)
- Properties of shape (measuring with protractors, angles in triangles/ quadrilaterals, draw shapes and nets of 3D shapes)

We will be carrying out reasoning activities on each of these areas to focus on mastery of the year 6 curriculum.

English - The Last Bear

Our writing will be based on the book *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold. We will be writing a newspaper article, as well as character profiles, figurative descriptions, dialogues and monologues.

In grammar we will focus on:

- Identifying clauses
- Using semi-colons, colons and dashes to mark clauses.
- Recognising hyphens to avoid ambiguity

Our spelling will focus on the patterns:

- Words with silent letters, Homophones, The fourth column of the year 5/6 word list

Science - Evolution and Inheritance

We will look at 'Evolution and Inheritance'.

- Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind but offspring vary,
- know how animals and plants adapt to the environment,
- find out about how scientists develop the process of evolution,
- understand how living things evolve over time.

RE

In RE, we will start our final topic for this term- 'Death and New Life'. We look at how loss and death brings about change for people. Jesus' suffering and death, Jesus as the bread of life, the raising of Lazarus, Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord and The Easter Vigil.

Geography - Rivers

We will be focusing on: where our water comes from; rivers of the UK/world; features of a river; erosion and deposition; and how we use rivers and dams.

Computing - Kodu

This term we will be focusing on 'Kodu Programming' We will:

- Solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts
- Create programs which use variables
- Sequence, selection and repetition in programs.

Art/ D&T - Wildlife

In art, we will look at how to draw birds by focusing on small parts like the feathers before moving on to look at how to focus on detail. We may also move onto using a different medium for our bird artwork- clay.

PSHE - Difference and Diversity

We will be looking at stereotypes and how to change them. We will look at why someone might need to seek refuge in the UK and research famous people who were refugees.

Music - Pitch

In our 'pitch' unit, we will:

- Listen to pieces of music and compare versions of the same song.
- Create a fanfare piece of music.
- Compose motifs for a film and evaluate it.

Revision

We will continue with booster groups this half term, but please also encourage your child to use the CGP revision guides that you have ordered.