

Year 6 Curriculum Letter -Spring 1 2023

Welcome Back!

We hope that you had a wonderful break and feel refreshed and ready to begin the new year! This newsletter will provide you with information on the half term ahead. If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,
The Year 6 team

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Topic

For the beginning of the year, our topic is **The Romans**. We will look at how the Romans lived and the influence they still have on the world today. In addition to this, we will conduct map work to identify the countries that the Romans managed to conquer.

English

In English this term, we will be reading and writing about the book *The Arrival*. This book is written by Shaun Tan and discusses real-world issues such as immigration and people seeking asylum. We will be focusing on numerous grammatical and punctuation skills such as: fronted adverbials, adverbial phrases, relative clauses, semi colons, colons, contrasting conjunctions and will focus using a range of sentence types and structures. Throughout the term, we will write a number of different types of writing such as diary entries, descriptive recounts and narratives.



Maths

Our first focus of the term will be on converting units. We will be learning to choose an appropriate unit to measure in and also be looking at how we can convert different metric units. Additionally, the children will be learning about decimals. We will be partitioning numbers into thousandths, hundredths, and tenths and also learn how to use the four operations with decimals. We will be closely monitoring every child's progress on Times Tables Rockstars - an online learning platform to support the children with their multiplication facts. In addition to this, homework will be set using mathletics. Please continue to support your child at home by helping them to practice their mathematical facts and times tables!

Science

Our topic is **evolution**, we will be learning about how animals, and humans have adapted in order to survive. Additionally, we look at how some characteristics are inherited from our parents.

Music

This year, the children will be having the wonderful experience of learning the ukulele.

Art/DT

In our art lessons we will be exploring a range of different sketching and painting techniques.

PE

Our lessons will take place on **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Please make sure PE kits are worn on these days. Our first PE focus will be team games and our inside PE lessons will focus on tag-rugby.

Spanish

Every week, the children will participate in Spanish lessons where they will learn basic conversational Spanish.

RE

This term, we will be learning about religious leaders and their impact.

Rough daily timetable:

9:00-9:30 Reading
9:30-10:45 English
BREAK
11:05-12:15 Maths
12:15-12:30 Assembly
LUNCH
1:30-2:30
Topic/Science/Computing/PE/Art/PSHE
2:30-3:20
Topic/Science/Computing/P.E/Art/PSHE

Dates for the diary:

16 th January - Aurora class tag-rugby trip
16/1/23 Yr 2 SATs Parent coffee morning
Yr 6 SATs Parent coffee morning 27/1/23 Holocaust Memorial Day 30/1/23
Number Day 03/2/23
06/2/23 Mental Health Week
07/2/23 Safer Internet Day
10/2/23 Tutorial Day – school closed for children – parents to attend meetings with children
Half Term Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February