

Year 6 Curriculum Overview

Monday 4th September to Friday 20th October

History

How was life affected on the Home Front?

In history this half-term, the children will be exploring the impact that World War II had on Britain, focusing in particular on children and their families. We will be learning about some of the precautions that were put in place to keep people safe when war broke out, including the use of air-raid shelters and evacuation. They will also be looking at how the war influenced other aspects of family life.

Computing

This half-term, the children will be writing their own algorithms as well as editing and debugging existing codes in order to create their own animated stories using the 'Scratch' software programme.

PSHE

In PSHE this half-term, they will explore what makes a healthy relationship both in person and on-line as well as recognising and managing peer pressure.

Science

The children will be learning about the importance of diet, exercise and lifestyle in the way that bodies function. They will also learn about the three main parts of the circulatory system and the job of the heart. Finally, they will learn how drugs and alcohol can have an impact on our bodies, specifically in relation to the circulatory system.

French

In French, the children will be learning how to say the numbers up to 100 as well as saying the time.

Music

The children will be learning about the music of the Big Bands and some of the songs that were popular during the War.

Religious Education

This half-term, they will learn about the parables of Jesus and different ways to share a message.

Dates for your diary:

- Thu 21st Sept – Year 6 Board Games afternoon from 2-3 pm
- Fri 6th Oct – INSET Day
- Thu 12th Oct – 6J & 6H (surnames A to L) visit the Watercress Line
- Fri 13th Oct– 6S & 6H (surnames M to Y) visit the Watercress Line



Physical Education

This year, the Year 6 PE lessons will take place on Mondays. In games, the children will develop their tennis skills in order to play competitive games. Whilst during indoor PE lessons, they will design and perform a variety of circuit training exercises to improve their fitness.

Design and Technology

During the first half-term, the children will design and make a soft toy with a seam allowance for a particular audience and purpose, using a range of materials and sewing techniques.



English

Reading

The children will read a variety of texts, focusing on the following key reading skills:

- To find and explain the meaning of words in context.
- To make and justify inferences using evidence from the text.
- To predict what might happen from the details given and implied in the text.
- To explain how meaning is enhanced through the choice of words and phrases.
- To make comparisons within and between texts.
- To retrieve and record information and identify key details from the text.
- To identify the main events or ideas from more than one paragraph.

Spelling

In spelling, the children will focus on:

- historical and scientific vocabulary
- revise words with silent letters
- homophones
- words ending with -ant, -ance, -ent and -ence

Writing

In English, the children's work will focus on using the following types of text to write for various audiences and purposes:

- short stories with a flashback
- autobiographies
- and creating atmosphere when describing narrative settings

Mathematics

In Mathematics this half-term they will:

- read and write numbers up to 10,000,000;
- compare and order numbers;
- round any number to a required degree of accuracy;
- use negative numbers in context
- solve addition and subtraction two-step problems;
- multiply multi-digit numbers (decimals) up to four digits by a two-digit whole number;
- divide numbers up to four-digit numbers by a two-digit number and interpret remainders, fractions and by rounding up or down as appropriate for the context;
- and use estimation to check answers.

Children will be expected to continue to consolidate their knowledge of all times table facts to 12 x 12 (as well as the corresponding division facts) using a variety of approaches. Regular practice sessions at home will be essential in helping the children secure their knowledge of these number facts. In class, children will also work on our weekly Superhero Challenges.



During the week beginning Monday 18th September, the children in Year 6 will be doing some previous SATs papers in English and Mathematics. This is in order to help prepare them for the national statement of attainment tests that Year 6 will take during the week beginning Monday 13th May 2024. It also helps the school to see what areas we need to provide any additional support or teaching.