

# Year 6 Class Newsletter

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## Curriculum information

### Welcome to Year 6 Term 5

This is an overview of what your child will be learning this term.

#### Topic

Our theme this term is 'Inspire Me'. The children will start the term by learning about the history of the local area and some local inspirational people before looking to our national inspirations, including exploring the monarchy. Finally they will research people from around the globe who inspire us to do better and achieve.

#### Science

Our science topic for Term 5 will be evolution. We will be focusing on Darwin's exploration and investigation; learning how this has impacted our view of the natural world.

#### Computing

This term, Year 6 will be 'App Developers'. The children will explore how apps are developed and have the opportunity to develop and pitch their own.

#### Art/DT

Is Graffiti art or crime? Throughout the term, the children will explore the works of graffiti artists and consider why this has been a controversial art form and its impact on local communities. They will have the opportunity to learn their own graffiti skills.

**PE lessons** are on Friday.

PE will include outdoor games sessions—OAA and Athletics. We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that the children come to school in appropriate kit to enable full participation.  
No jewellery to be worn in PE.



#### PSHE

In PSHE we will be completing our units on 'Respect' and 'Leadership' as we begin to think about the transition to Secondary School.

#### R.E.

The Kingdom of God: the children will explore Jesus' role as a King of Christianity.

*As you are aware, Year 6 is a very important year for your child, in terms of their transition to secondary school and also usually the preparation for end of key stage 2 SATs.*

*Although the children will no longer be sitting the formal assessments, they will complete past papers to support their preparation and assessment prior to transition into secondary school.*

*We have lots of exciting plans for their final weeks at South Avenue Primary School and will share these in due course.*

#### Water Bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named drink bottle to school each day. **This should contain water.**



#### English

In Guided Reading, children will continue to practise their skills of retrieval and deduction whilst focusing on higher level inference skills and reading at the speed required for success at secondary school. In English we will be linking our writing to the inspirational figures that the children will be learning about in Topic lessons. They will have the opportunity to write scripts, biographies and arguments where they can apply their growing understanding of the grammatical features or formal and non-fiction writing.

**English homework** will start again and will be sent on Seesaw and should be completed within the week. **There is an expectation that children will read for at least 15 minutes each evening.**

**Spellings** will continue to be learnt as part of English lessons where children will be taught spelling rules and strategies for learning. They are expected to practise these over the week in preparation for a dictation on Friday.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD BRINGS THEIR READING BOOK AND RECORD TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.**

#### Maths

*In Maths this term, we will start by revising work on metric and imperial measures and how to convert between them. We will then focus on ratio, including scaling up recipes, and solving word problems.*

*Towards the end of Term 5, we will start a unit of work on geometry. This will involve estimating and measuring angles and then calculating missing angles in a range of shapes.*