

Year 6 Class Newsletter

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Curriculum information

Welcome to Year 6 Term 3

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

Topic

Our topic this term is looking at the events leading up to the onset of World War II. The topic work will develop the children's research and analytical skills - involving them in using primary and secondary sources. We will investigate which factors led to the outbreak of the war and what life was like in Britain in the early twentieth century.

Science

Our science topic for Term 3, will be exploring the many properties of light, how it travels in straight lines, shadows and how the eye is designed to enable us to see. This will involve practical investigation work where children will explore scientific ideas and use information to help them form predictions and hypotheses.

Computing

This term year 6 will be looking back at the skills they have been taught over the last two terms to design anything they desire in groups. This will allow them to have the freedom to discover their potential in computing.

PE lessons are on **Friday**. PE will include an outdoor games session as well an indoor gymnastics session. We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that the children always have their kit in school to enable full participation. Please provide a warm track-suit / jogging bottoms for the cold weather. No earrings to be worn in PE.



PSHE

PSHE will focus on our next two topics 'Mind to be Kind' and 'Wellbeing'. Children will be discussing scenarios and recognizing what makes a good friend. We will also be looking at scenarios that test our emotions and strategies to deal with these. Finally, we will be looking at food habits and what makes a healthy, balanced diet.

As you are aware, Year 6 is a very important year for your child, both in terms of the forthcoming SATs (11th-14th May) and in preparation for the transition to secondary school. Thank you for your continued support in helping us to ensure that your child achieves the very best that they can this year.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns.

Water Bottles

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



English

We will continue to focus on inference skills in reading comprehension as well as developing confidence using strategies to retrieve information and develop personal responses to tests. In writing lessons, there will be a strong focus on accuracy and variety of punctuation and grammar through the creation of different texts about WWII.

English homework will be given out on a Monday and collected in on the following Monday; however, this may vary according to the weekly focus - as sometimes preparation or consolidation is necessary. **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. A list of the spelling rules we will be covering this term has been sent home.

Maths

In maths this term, we will be investigating area and perimeter within a range of shapes and we shall also focus on solving word problems using metric and imperial measurements. Towards the end of this term, we will also look at measuring angles using a protractor and calculating missing angles. As always, children will be encouraged to explain their reasoning when solving problems and to give mathematical examples when proving statements.