

Year 6 Newsletter Spring 2022





During the spring term, we will be exploring three themes: Sources, Unity and Death & New Life. In our first topic (Sources), we will be exploring the value of books and how we can use the Bible in our everyday lives. Our Eucharist topic (Unity) will allow us to think about our different relationships. As we approach Easter, we will be celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection in our final topic (Death and New Life).

<u>Engl</u>ish

Our two-exciting crosscurricular topics and writing for purpose in our class blog, will help inspire the children's writing. This term the children will write adventure stories, newspaper reports, diaries, letters, explanations, and poems. This range of genre will allow the children to build their repertoire and knowledge of grammar, punctuation and spelling skills.

The children need to bring their reading book and green reading log into school every day. It is important children are reading every day at home and that all children read aloud regularly to an adult. Even the most fluent readers benefit from the experience of sharing stories and information with others

Please can parents/carers sign each night to confirm children have read.



In school, children will be listened to individually and during guided reading sessions.

Maths

In Maths, we continue to develop and strengthen our mental arithmetic and reasoning skills across all operations. We will focus on decimals, percentages, algebra, and converting units of measure, area, perimeter, volume and ratio this term.

Children should practice their tables on Times Tables Rock Stars. The ability to recall multiples help children across a range of mathematical concepts. Therefore, we are challenging all children to become Rock Legends

Science

In Science, with Mrs Sawdon, the children will be investigating two wonderful topics. The first topic will enable children to learn about the circulatory system and thinking about how to maintain a healthy heart. In the second half of the term, they will learn about evolution and inheritance.

Topic

This term our first topic is **Poles Apart**, this is an exciting theme, which offers a number of wonderful opportunities to help with our learning.

In Geography, we will learn about the environment at the Polar regions. In History, we will study a number of explorers and learn about the challenges they faced.

Towards the summer term, we will begin our topic World at War, an inspirational World War II study that will allow us to explore life in 1940's Britain. In addition, as historians, we will look at the impact the conflict had on people across the world.

French the topic this term is My French **House.** Mrs Sawdon will teach the children listening, speaking and writing skills.

PΕ

Most weeks we will have PE on Monday and Thursday. Children should attend school in their PE kit on these days. This term, the children will develop basketball, Tag Rugby and Cricket skills. PE kit should be a plain white T-shirt, black/blue shorts or jogging bottoms and trainers (a dark coloured tracksuit top is useful if the weather is cold).

Computing

This term, in computing, our topics involve the children developing text-based programming skills. We will also launch a class blog so we can share work and ideas with each other. We are also planning to link to schools across the world to provide a valuable audience for some of our writing.

Homework

In addition to regular reading and mastering times tables, children will bring spellings home most Fridays for a test the following Friday. Our main weekly homework, this term, will concentrate on building confidence and extending ability across key curriculum areas. The children will be asked to complete questions from revision booklets covering grammar/punctuation, reading and maths skills. Expectations for Year 6 homework will be sent each Friday and cover the forthcoming week. Our high expectations for the work children produce

include homework. Please ensure your child completes all homework on time and to a good standard of presentation.

If homework is not returned as required, children will be expected to complete this at lunchtime. Equipment such as pens, pencils, long ruler, eraser and a pencil sharpener should be available at home.





If you have any questions or comments on anything from our newsletter or on any other areas you would like to discuss, please contact me before or after the school day. Alternatively, you can reach a member of our team on the school telephone number.