

Year 6 Newsletter

Lent Term 2020

English

Please continue to read with your child and ensure they regularly change their books.

This term, the children will be reading *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer and will be producing a variety of written pieces based on the book.

Later in the term, Year 6 will take part in a Shakespeare workshop, which will lead on to them producing their own playscript in the same style. *Please encourage your child to read the version of *The Tempest* which was previously given to them on their reading list.*

For homework this term, we will be focusing on grammar and spellings.

Maths

Please help your child by learning the following maths facts:

Can you multiply three digit numbers by 2 and 3 digit numbers?

Can you multiply decimal numbers?

Can you convert decimal numbers, fractions and percentages?

Please support your children to convert between metric and imperial measures.

We will also be learning about sequencing, exploring patterns (algebra), geometry and properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

The following websites are very good:

www.multiplication.com

www.woodlandjunior.co.uk

Please continue to complete the MyMaths homework, which is set weekly and practice Time Tables at home!

Science

This half term, we will be studying 'Light'. We will be finding out that we see objects because they give out or reflect light into the eye. We will learn how light travels in straight lines and how objects cast shadows.

Next half term, we will be studying 'Living Things and their Habitats'. The unit will teach the children about classification of living things, including micro-organisms. The children will learn about the standard system of classification and have a go at creating their own 'curious creature'. The children will also conduct an investigation into the growth of mould on bread.

PSHE

(Personal, Social, Health and Economic education)

During this term, we will be holding classroom discussions about issues based around PSHE, which children need to be aware of in order to keep themselves safe. Any conversations with the children will be appropriate for their age and delivered in a safe and secure environment.

Discussions will be around the following topics: Sex and Relationships (SRE), Drug Awareness, Democracy and Debating and Listening and Respecting the Views of Others.

It is a good opportunity to talk to your child at home. If you have any questions please speak to your child's Class Teacher.

Information regarding the SRE is on the school website.

History

During Lent term, the children will develop a chronologically secure knowledge and understanding of British, local and world history. The children will be learning about the Vikings: where they came from, how and why they invaded, why they decided to settle and how they changed some of the culture in Britain at the time. They will also study the impact the Vikings had on today's world in terms of travel, trade and battle.

Children will also find out about the importance of historical enquiry. They will develop ideas of how to make confident use of a variety of sources for independent research; gain an understanding of how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources and gain the experience of addressing and sometimes devising historically valid questions about change, cause, similarity and difference, and significance.