

LITERACY

This term, in Literacy lessons the class will be studying another novel. Different types of writing will be linked to this novel study, including: types discussion / argument, persuasive writing, journalistic writing and report writing.

In addition to this novel study, the students will focus on all aspects of narrative writing.

Depending on which level your child is aiming for, the lessons will focus on specific targeted areas. Examples of common focus areas include: using paragraphs independently, a wide range of punctuation, complex sentences, expanding upon ideas and vocabulary choices.

There will be a focused drive on individual reading, including the reading and understanding of poetry. Children will focus on the skills of inference, deduction and evaluation of texts when completing comprehension tasks.

NUMERACY

In numeracy the children will follow the National Numeracy Framework for year 6 including real life problems based on measures. They will work on shape, coordinates and probability as well as continuing to consolidate the good progress that they have made in the four basic operations. There will be regular practice of SATs papers which will be marked and returned in class so that errors can be addressed.

SCIENCE

In science this term the children will complete work on human biology and micro-organisms. They will also be looking at light; how it travels and how shadows are formed. The electricity unit will further the children's understanding of parallel and series circuits; they will learn how to use component symbols to draw and construct circuits. There will be an emphasis on investigation with the children designing and carrying out their own experiments. During the second half term, when all the Science curriculum has been covered the children will regularly complete past SAT papers to assess their understanding.

ICT

The children will be doing research using the internet linked to topic. This will include pop art using graphic manipulation, famous people and events in the 1960's. They will be developing their keyboard skills linked to word processing in order to present their Literacy and topic work.

PE

The children will be participating in a number of activities based around hockey and team games. In gymnastics the children will produce an individual and group sequence on the floor. Apparatus such as vault and beam will also be taught. In dance the children will learn a variety of dance steps connected with the 1960's which they will perform with increasing accuracy and confidence.

RE/PSHE

RE

In RE the children will identify the qualities of significant leaders in the Christianity and other major religions. They will also research key leaders in history.

PSHE

The children will learn about cyber bullying. They will cover internet protocol and discuss issues around cyber bullying. Linking with our History topic, we will also learn about the Civil Rights Movement.

TOPIC STUDIES

This term our topic is Remembering the 60's. The students will learn about this important decade and explore key events and inventions of this decade. They will have the opportunity to explore an aspect of interest, such as fashion, space etc in a research project. We will be including aspects of modern art and music in this study.

HOW YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD

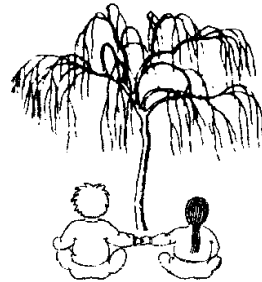
- **Access e-folio with your child. New pages will be added which are important for revision.**
- Continue to make sure that they practise their multiplication tables. It is helpful to involve your child in money and measuring activities at home for example working out change is an excellent way to improve subtraction skills.
- Monitor your child's reading. Try to focus on reading with greater pace and expression. In the SATs reading task they will be expected to read quite a large booklet in 15 minutes. Your child should be reading for at least 20 minutes every day. Make sure that your child records their reading at home in their diary and that you add comments where necessary.
- Help your child to find information from books at home, the library and from the Internet on the topics that we are studying this year. Read difficult texts with your child to help them to understand what they are reading.
- **Ensure that your child carries out all the homework set every week. Homework is an extremely important part of school and must be completed regularly if your child is to benefit.**
- There are many helpful revision programs for SATs available on the Internet and in the form of computer programs. In particular the BBC revisewise website is useful for revision in all subjects, especially science. If you do not have access to a computer most libraries offer free Internet access bookable in advance. Also many publishers produce excellent SATs revision guides. If you are unsure as to which are most useful please ask.

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Homework due: Tuesdays
Homework given on: Wednesdays
PE days: Outdoor – Friday
(Please bring tracksuit)
PE Indoor –Thursday

Spring Term Curriculum Leaflet For Year 6

Oak Tree Class
Miss Smith
Sycamore Tree Class
Mrs Breeze



DATES FOR YOUR INFORMATION: