

Year 6 - Spring 1 Newsletter

Happy New Year! We hope that you had a fun-filled, restful winter break. Welcome back for another exciting half term of learning. This newsletter is to provide you with some useful information about the spring term and the topics that we will be covering.

<u>Curriculum coverage</u>

We will be continuing to work hard on making sure our previous knowledge from previous year groups is consolidated throughout the term.

Literacy: We will be focusing on the novel Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J.K Rowling this term. We will be transported into the Magical World of Harry Potter by looking at the characters, setting and language used whilst also comparing it to how the film represents this. This term, we will be writing a newspaper report on one of the events within the novel and a character description of the creates in Diagon Alley. There will be a focus on Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) activities that link with our class text.



We will also focus on our reading comprehension skills using our class novel, poems, fiction and non-fiction texts. Our class focus for this term is retrieval and inference skills.

Maths: Measurement: Converting Units, Number: Decimals; Ratio; Algebra



PE: Every TUESDAY - delivered by Bee Active.

No jewellery or watches will be allowed to be worn during PE and long hair must be tied up. Please don't forget to come to school in your kit ready for PE.

Art and Design: Printmaking and textiles, looking at the artist Patrick Hughes.

Science and Topic (Design and Technology focus):

In Science, we will be learning about light. In topic, we will focus on textiles: sustainable materials.

Computing: We will complete our unit on 3D modelling and start our web page creation unit.

PSHE: Physical health and mental wellbeing

RE: We will focus on the enquiry questions: Why do some people believe in God and some people do not?; Why do Hindus try to be good?

MFL: Adventures of Karla and Kai (German)

Music: Gamalan: listening and appraising / composing

<u>Reading</u> is an integral part of your child's education and support from home will be very much appreciated. It is expected that children read their individual book at home at least 4 times a week please. Children also have access to MyOn at home where they can read additional books through an online library. Please fill in the reading records to show us that your child has read at home; if your child reads independently, please put a parent signature to indicate this.



<u>Homework</u> will be sent out via paper copies for our compulsory weekly spellings. Optional homework based around our topic can be found via Class Dojo. Any assistance you can provide at home to help your child remember their times tables will make a big difference to their attainment at school which will support them in our preparation for SATs. All children have access to Times Table Rock Stars and Prodigy which will help support in this area.

Please do send any of the Year 6 staff a message on Class Dojo if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Latham, Miss Perry, Mrs Bebbington and Ms Emery