



Autumn 2

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Our Virtual Showcase video goes home - Friday 13th November

Anti-bullying Week (wear odd socks on Monday) - Monday 16th - 20th November

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas dinner day - Wednesday 16th December

End of term: Friday 18th December

OUR LEARNING JOURNEY IN YEAR 6 Last half term, the children explored and compared old maps to understand the seeds for war after World War I. They also discovered more about what life was like for Germans leading up to World War II.

This half-term, we will continue to learn about World War II by discovering more about the Battle of Britain and how our local area around the school was affected by war.

LITERACY In Reading, we will continue studying *Goodnight Mr Tom*, and we will then watch the film (PG certificate).

In Literacy, we will continue to develop our sentence structure and paragraph writing by focussing on detailed characterisations that will leave our reader feeling sorry for Willie from *'Goodnight Mr Tom'*.

Following on from this, we will develop our formal writing skills by thinking carefully about how to structure an explanation text. We will be channelling our inner 'David Attenborough voices' by explaining how a cheetah hunts and why its physique makes it such a powerful predator. Our focus will be on causal conjunctions (e.g. consequently, since, therefore, etc.), and we will explore how to use the active and passive voice.

SPELLING

Spellings are practised daily during our literacy lessons, and then tested every other Friday. Please support your child with practising the following trends: unstressed vowels (e.g. *separate*) and suffixes (*tion/cian/sion* and *cious/tious/sious*).

MATHS

Once we have completed long division, our main area of focus this half term is **fractions**. This will include the following: simplifying fractions, comparing and ordering fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, multiplying and dividing fractions by integers and finding fractions of an amount.

Maths Home Learning is sent home every Monday and is due in on Fridays. Your child should also be accessing TTRockstars and Sumdog regularly.

Maths Week England - Sumdog's Maths Week England runs from 6.11.20 - 12.11.20. Please encourage your child to play this at home.

SCIENCE

This half term, the focus will be on the human circulatory system, including the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood.

PSHE

This half term, Year 6 will be focusing on 'Keeping Safe'. In light of the current situation, we will be sending a Wellbeing Journal for your child to complete at home. This is optional and can be used at any time convenient for your child.

PTA

The PTA is raising money for year groups this year. Any money raised for Year 6 will be spent on author visits and virtual trips. Thank you in advance for your support.

THE YEAR 6 TEAM