Year 6 Learning Letter



Summer1



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SCIENCE

This half-term, we will learn about evolution and inheritance. This will include exploring how animals and plants have evolved, and more recently, how they have had to adapt to their changing surroundings.

<u>PE</u>

This half-term, the focus will switch to dance in Indoor PE and basketball in Outdoor PE. Please ensure that your child comes appropriately dressed for PE on the day of their lessons:

6BD - Tuesdays and Thursdays 6A - Wednesdays and Fridays

<u>GEOGRAPHY</u>

In geography, we will be developing our fieldwork enquiry skills by identifying a problem in the local area and formulating an enquiry question. This will then be followed up by gathering data and formulating an answer to the enquiry question.

<u>Art</u>

'Making Memories

This half term, we will be using our sculpting skills to make our very own 'memories'.

HOME LEARNING

Home learning continues to be an important part of Year 6 as we begin to prepare the children for secondary school:

Maths Home Learning - this is taken home on Fridays and returned on Wednesdays.

English Home Learning - this will be alternated between writing, reading and grammar. Each weekly task is set on a Friday and is due in the following Friday. Some tasks will be set on spag.com, an online grammar, punctuation and spelling resource.

Writing tasks should continue to be completed in their 'writing for pleasure' journals!

Finally. . .

If you need to get in contact with us, please do so during school hours only: 8:00am - 6:00pm (Monday - Friday) and we will respond as soon as we can. Please note our email addresses:

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Dates for your diary:

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Monday 22nd April - Stephen Lawrence Day Monday 6th May - Early Bank Holiday WB 6th May - Deaf Awareness Week WB 13th May - Mental Health Awareness Week 13th May - 17th May - Year 6 SATs Week WB 20th May - 17th May - Year 6 SATs Week WB 20th May - 24th May - Year 6 'Activities Week' Thursday 23rd May - An International Evening to Celebrate 'Who We Are' (4pm -6.30pm) Friday 24th May - End of Summer 1

SUMMER 2

Tuesday 4th June - Children return to school

Dear Year 6 Families,

We hope you all had a restful Easter break. This half-term is a really important one for the year group as we prepare for Year 6 SATS (13th - 17th May). We will send home a letter over the next week or so with more information.

<u>ENGLISH</u>

<u>READING</u>

This term, we will be reading 'Trash' which is set in a fictitious country, loosely inspired by children who live in the Philippines working in dumpsites. We will explore themes of poverty, friendship and corruption. It is a gripping story, excellent for making inferences and deductions.

<u>WRITING</u>

Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring and writing horror stories, paying close attention to how we can use repetition for effect and the passive voice to create a spooky atmosphere. We will also continue to develop our understanding of speech punctuation and how this can be varied for effect.

<u>MATHS</u>

This half term, we will be exploring 2D shapes, including quadrilaterals and finding the internal angles (and missing angles) of triangles. We will also be exploring different graphs, and revising other key areas of the Year 6 curriculum.

You can find our calculation policy and a copy of the Year 6 curriculum on the school's website.

Please encourage your child to complete their maths home learning each week as this is important revision practise.

SPELLING

Spelling patterns and common exception words will be practised across four of our early morning sessions (from 8:45am -9.00am) across a two-week cycle. The children will be tested on these words **<u>every</u> Friday** for the next few weeks.