



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 Spring 2023

Miss Mason

Mrs Perks

Mrs Elwell

This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term:

	English	In English we will be getting ready for the SATs by focussing on reading comprehension skills, especially retrieval, inference and language skills; punctuation and grammar, for example colons and semi-colons; and writing in a range of styles, both fiction and non-fiction linked to our topic where possible. Please encourage your child to read at home, at least 3 times a week.
	Maths	In Maths we will also be preparing for the SATs. We will be covering topics including: fractions, decimals and percentages; ratio; algebra and shape and space. In order to cover all of the curriculum, Year 6 will be having an extra Maths lesson each Monday afternoon, which we will try to keep more practical or cover areas such as geometry and statistics.
	Topic	Our topic this term is The Mighty Maya. We will be learning about their culture and society, as well as important settlements and leaders. The children will be discovering the religious beliefs of the Maya, as well as their writing system and mathematical understanding. We will include geographical knowledge of the area and will learn about the historical sources that historians use to understand this ancient culture.
	Science	In Science this term we will be completing our classifying living creatures topic, before moving onto learning about the Circulatory System and Digestive System and living a healthy lifestyle. We will also be studying light: how we see; how light reflects and refracts, and how we see colours; and the work of Sir Isaac Newton.
	Religious Education	In RE we will revisit earlier work on Judaism and then learn about the Jewish Sabbath. We will find out about the food and customs involved and think about why Jews celebrate the Sabbath. After half term we will consider why Jesus is called "The Saviour"? We will look at some Bible stories including 'The Fall of Adam and Eve.'
	Music	Music will be taught by Mrs Gullick, who will be looking at understanding the history of music, including the movie music of John Williams. The children will be describing and appraising music using a wider range of music vocabulary.
	PSHRE	This term, PSHE lessons will focus on Living in the Wider World: prejudice, different types of discrimination, and stereotypes. The children will also learn about health and well being, including the effects and misuse of alcohol and drugs as well as looking in more detail about internet safety. The school values this term are Kindness and Happiness.
	Computing	In Computing this term the children will continue to develop their coding skills, using Scratch to create their own game or animation.
	PE	Mr Whitehouse will be teaching the children gymnastics during the first half term, and we will be completing a mix of indoor and outdoor PE. In the second half Mr Whitehouse will be teaching tennis and with us, the children will be doing netball.
	Language	In French the children will continue to develop their written and spoken French. We will be focussing on shopping experiences, including asking for and buying food, plus learning the French for various items of clothing.

Important Dates:

PE days remain on a Tuesday and Friday. There may be occasions where we need to switch our PE lessons though, so please ensure that your child's kit is always in school.