



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 Autumn 2024











Miss Mason

Mrs Hardeman

Mrs Elwell

Mrs Willis

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

	English	English will be taught in ability groups. We will be covering a range of writing genres and will link texts to our History topic Mighty Maya. Every child will also take part in two guided reading sessions every week, where we will focus on retrieving and inferring information, as well as understanding language.
	Maths	Maths will also be ability set. We will be following the national curriculum for Year 6 and will cover topics including place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions and coordinates. In Year 6 we work hard to improve children's mental abilities and their reasoning skills.
	Topic History	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	This is a science-based topic linked to the National Curriculum Year 6 Programme of Study: Evolution and Inheritance, and Living Things and their Habitats. The children will learn about how animals have evolved to adapt to their surroundings. After half term the children will be learning about classification systems of living things including micro-organisms.
	Religious Education	In RE we will be studying the Christian religion specifically in relation to Bible stories and what they can teach Christians. We will also encourage pupils to discuss their opinions on the religious beliefs studied.
	Music	We are very fortunate again this year because our music curriculum will be taught by Mrs Gullick.
	PSHE	We will be asking the pupils to think about themselves and how they relate to others around them. We will also look at peer pressure and how to deal with it, as well as understanding bias in the media.
	Computing	We will develop the children's knowledge of Microsoft PowerPoint and Word and use these skills to present information about our learning. After half term, the main focus for computing will be Coding using Espresso Coding.
	PE	Our PE curriculum consists of both outdoor and indoor sports which will include some specialist coaching from Mr Davis. The children will be completing some core fitness work including cross country, and will be playing invasion games like Netball and Tag Rugby.
	Language	Year 6 will be continuing the French language studies, looking at French culture and taking every opportunity for children to use the French language in useful contexts. We are fortunate again this term as Mrs Turner from Beacon Academy will be teaching the French session on Monday afternoons.

Additional information: Our PE days are **Monday** and **Wednesday** so please make sure your child has their PE kit in school, jewellery removed and long hair tied back on these days please.

Please read with your child at least three times a week and write a comment in their reading record, accompanied with a signature.

Homework: each week your child will be given one piece of English and one piece of maths homework. They will be given out on a Friday, and must be brought back in by Tuesday. Please continue to learn Times Tables and spellings each week.