

Year 6 Curriculum Newsletter



Autumn 2 2020

Below is a brief outline of what your child will be learning in Year 6 this half term. We hope you will take the opportunity to read and discuss it with your child.

Subject	
Literacy	Skellig will be our book study for this half term. We will do a range of reading activities on the novel as well as writing a persuasive house advertisement and a setting description to create suspense.
Numeracy	The key areas we will be targeting this half term are division, problem solving and BODMAS. For problem solving, we will be looking at a range of strategies to help unpick problems and reason with confidence. We will continue to work on arithmetic skills as well.
Science	In Science we are learning about and exploring Light and Shadows. We'll be looking at how light travels, how we see, reflection and shadow formation.
Topic – Geography	The children will be learning about the Ancient Greeks which will include: how the Ancient Greek lifestyle, understanding the reasons for key events and discussing the legacy of the Ancient Greeks.
ICT	Internet safety is the key focus term; in addition, the children will use their topic learning / story writing, to help create an interactive quest, using Hyperlinks, where the reader can create their own outcome, choosing their own journey.
RE	The children will learn about the Magi and will be able to explain the meaning of the term prophecy and how the prophecy is significant within the story of the gifts of the Magi. They will be given the opportunity to express a personal response to the concept of prophecy, and give examples of how prophecy might affect their own lives or the lives of others.
PE	In P.E we will be working on jumping and landing within gymnastics. We will also be working on our fitness through running and how it benefits our mental and physical health. Please remember that it is important for children to have a PE kit in school for the whole week, as sometimes the timetable will change.
Music	This half term the children will explore musical accompaniments. They will explore beatboxing and use their skills to accompany raps and chants as well as investigating chords using tuned percussion, keyboards and their own instruments. They will sing a range of songs, including African songs, part songs and rounds and will focus on maintaining their lines to achieve a balanced sound.
Art / DT	Designing and making catapults is the key focus this term and the children will be learning joining techniques and understanding the 3 different lever systems. They will follow instructions to build 2 types of catapults, then using these ideas, design and make their own catapult to compete against each other!