Year 6: Autumn Term





We will be exploring texts from a range of significant children's authors, and using these texts to inspire our own writing.

Through the characters and storylines in 'Goodnight Mr Tom', 'Eye of the Wolf, and 'Viking Boy', we will learn how to create our own exciting narratives. In our Reading Skills lessons, we will focus on the domains of inference, retrieval and word meaning.

We highly recommend that the children read at home as much as possible. This will greatly improve their writing, as the children begin to 'think like an author'.





History and Geography Extreme Earth! The Vikings

In Geography, we will be exploring the topic 'Extreme Earth', and will consider extreme weather conditions found across the world. We will focus on the natural phenomena of earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanoes.

In History, we will visit the Viking era, where we will consider the impact that these invaders and settlers had on our lives today. We will then consider how the Vikings established their influence over the kingdoms of England, and how they imported their customs and way of life.

Numeracy

We will cover a range of topics, focusing particularly on place value and the four operations (+, -, \times ÷), fractions, decimals, measures and statistics.

We will acquire the skills necessary to face more challenging reasoning and logic mathematical problems. .

Our arithmetic homework will replicate some of the questions that may be asked in the arithmetic SATs paper, and build the children's confidence in tackling more complex calculations.



We will be exploring our key question this half term, 'What does it mean that God is holy and loving?'. We will explore Christian teachings about God, looking at the two, sometimes conflicting sides of His character, the almighty, powerful God and the one that loves humanity. We will expand our religious education vocabulary with words including: omniscient, omnipotent and eternal. As part of this topic, we will be visiting Holy Trinity Church to ask our questions to Reverend Richard.

PE

We will take part in weekly PE sessions, where we will nurture our sense of sportsmanship and teamwork, in a range of team sports.

Dance and Music

We will flex our creative muscles in weekly music and dance sessions. Our musical theme is 'HAPPY', through which we will compose, improvise and perform a range of musical pieces.



This term we will be thinking and talking about our school values and expectations, creating a class charter to follow throughout the year. We will then be exploring our topic 'Me and My Relationships'. This topic will see us deepen our understanding of negotiation, how to navigate friendships and what it means to be assertive.

Science

Our topics in Science are: 'Living things and their Habitats' and 'Animals including Humans'.

We will look at how all living things are grouped and classified according to their shared features and how they survive in their environments.

We'll also consider the different systems that make up the human body, particularly the circulatory system. We will explore factors that impact our own health and look at how we can lead healthy lifestyles.

Reminders/Notices

Homework

Homework is set every Friday, to be returned by the following Thursday. Children will receive Maths and English homework. The homework sent home will be linked to what the children have been taught in class.

Reading

We aim to hear children read at least once a week in school; the more they read at home, the more beneficial it will be for their reading and writing outcomes.

They can read anything and everything!

The children need to be able to read a wide range of texts and we would encourage them to read things that they find interesting (comics and newspapers included).

Don't forget about Bug Club!

PE Kit

Children will need to wear their P.E kit to school every Friday — a red top and black shorts or joggers must be worn.

Swimming will also take place on a Friday—a swimming cap, costume or trunks and towel will be needed.

Welcome to Year 6!

We are really looking forward to seeing you flourish in Year 6!

We have planned many different activities for you over the coming months, and can't wait to get stuck in!

We hope you have had a restful summer and are ready to conquer the new challenges that Year 6 has to offer!

Year 5 and 6 Statutory Spellings

accommodate	category	determined	forty	marvellous	programme	soldier
accompany	cemetery	develop	frequently	mischievous	pronunciation	stomach
according	committee	dictionary	government	muscle	queue	sufficient
achieve	communicate	disastrous	guarantee	necessary	recognise	suggest
aggressive	community	embarrass	harass	neighbour	recommend	symbol
amateur	competition	environment	hindrance	nuisance	relevant	system
ancient	conscience	equipment	identity	оссиру	restaurant	temperature
apparent	conscious	equipped	immediate	occur	rhyme	thorough
appreciate	controversy	especially	immediately	opportunity	rhythm	twelfth
attached	convenience	exaggerate	individual	parliament	sacrifice	variety
available	correspond	excellent	interfere	persuade	secretary	vegetable
average	criticise	existence	interrupt	physical	shoulder	vehicle
awkward	curiosity	explanation	language	prejudice	signature	yacht
bargain	definite	familiar	leisure	privilege	sincere	
bruise	desperate	foreign	lightning	profession	sincerely	