



Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6

Dear Parents,

I hope you all have had a happy and restful Christmas break. It has been lovely sharing and listening to many children's holiday experiences this week!

During the course of the spring term, Year 6 pupils will be focusing on enriching their mathematics & comprehension skills, revising a range of different writing genres and studying more interesting science topics.

Snapshot of the Year 6 curriculum:

English	Arguments and discussions (developing debating skills) Poetry (a selection of poems from Seasons of Splendour) Non-chronological reports (Amazon Rainforest) Fictional story writing (adventure and suspense)
Maths	Decimals, fractions and percentages Investigating number properties (multiples, factors, prime, square and cube numbers) Geometry (area, perimeter and surface area for 2D and 3D shapes, including understanding pi and drawing angles using a protractor and compass) Co-ordinates and transformation of shapes Algebra (patterns, sequences and formulae) Measurements (time, length, breadth and capacity) Statistics (analysing data from frequency tables, bar, line and scatter graphs) Continuing to strengthen arithmetic skills
Science	Evolution and Inheritance using the different enquiry skills
Topic	Geography: map skills (links with the Amazon Rainforest) and coastline & fossils (links with Evolution and Inheritance) Religious Education: Rites of Passage and Zoroastrianism Mandarin: researching Chinese culture and Chinese art & calligraphy Physical Education: athletics, gymnastics and invasion games

Please kindly ensure that your child has an up to date and labelled PE kit in school. Your child's class teacher will inform you regarding the exact day. Please encourage your child to bring in a water bottle to school which they can take home to clean and refill daily.

Please support your child's learning by ensuring homework tasks are completed within the allotted timeframes. If your child struggles to complete his/ her homework please liaise with the class teacher to receive additional support.

Kindly remember to sign your child's homework diary and reading record book so that you are fully aware of continued progress. Children will also have the opportunity to visit the school library during the course on the week; the timings will change on a rota basis.

We endeavour to consolidate your child's learning in readiness for a smooth and successful transition into secondary school; therefore we will be providing each pupil with a set of revision workbooks. Our aim is to study from these books in class, as well as set homework tasks from them and so we would greatly appreciate your support.

Home Learning:

Spellings	These will be given out every Friday and your child's spellings will be tested the following Friday
Mathematics	An array of different mathematical tasks (including from the new workbooks) will be set throughout the course of the term. Homework will be set every Wednesday and will be due back the following Monday
Reading	Quick reading tasks will be set weekly on a Monday; these are due back the following Monday. It is recommended that your child reads each day and we are grateful for your ongoing support with this.
Grammar & Punctuation	Short grammar or punctuation tasks will be set weekly on a Wednesday; these are due back the following Wednesday.
Topic including Science	Revision homework will be set every 2 weeks; this will encourage pupils to build upon their knowledge and research skills.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to speak with me.

With best wishes,

Mrs S. Saad

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