



Curriculum overview Year 6 autumn term



Throughout the autumn term our focus text will be: Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. Our writing, guided reading, art and D & T will all centre on pivotal points or unique aspects of J.K. Rowling's wizarding world.

English

During our writing lessons, we will complete: character and setting descriptions, design magical potions and write instructions, compose a wide variety of poetry including free verse and personification, develop and continue narratives with extended writing opportunities, become reporters and retell key events throughout the text and engage in many more amazing activities

R.E

During R.E lessons, the children will continue to complete a variety of units including: The people of God, Followers of Christ and Advent. The teaching of RE will be implemented into everyday practice to reflect the catholic ethos of our school.

Confirmation work will begin after the October half term and be led by Mrs Sarjeant.

Maths

Maths lessons will be engineered to challenge each member of the class and ensure they have 'mastered' previously and newly taught topics. A traffic light system will encourage children to feedback their understanding instantly. Children who have found a specific strand difficult will receive intervention that day, tackling any misconceptions and ensuring whole class understanding. During the autumn term we will cover: Number and place value, mental addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, formal written methods covering the four operations, measurement including conversion and time as well as fractions, ratio and proportion.

Science

During science lessons, we will complete units of work on: electricity and light. Children will complete a wide range of experiments and investigations, explaining their methodologies and enhancing their scientific understanding.

History and Geography

Our two main topics for autumn term are: 'The Ancient Greeks' and 'Marvellous Mountains'.

The children will journey through Ancient Greek history, gaining an understanding of the chronology, learning about their way of life and exploring Gods and mythical creatures.

During Marvellous Mountains, children will learn how mountains are formed and why this occurs at certain points around the world, facts and figures about famous mountains and volcanoes, explore key events in history and enhance their mapping and atlas skills.

Art and D & T

Our autumn art will centre on sketching, aiming to improve the children's ability to successfully portray feeling and emotions. They will be given the opportunity to use a range of different materials and will complete a final piece of work aimed at showing reflection successfully.

We will aim to complete two D & T topics, creating individual wands and using clay to design and recreate a structure. Each topic will need to be planned, created and evaluated.

Music

After half term, a specialist music teaching will be teaching the children singing in preparation for our Christmas performances.

PE

PE will consist of: studying dance, ranging from contemporary dance to creating their own dance routines and hopefully badminton at the local sports centre (once we have confirmed availability).

Homework

A homework timetable has been attached, outlining the homework expectation this term. All homework is expected back on the days stated and is set to enhance the children's learning and prepare them for their upcoming SATS tests. Reading frequently is pivotal this year, especially due to the correlation between consistent reading at home and improved reading SATS scores. Children will be heard by an adult in school as frequently as possible, however reading at home is essential. General times table and maths fluency practise will help develop confidence and speed, times tables will be tested randomly throughout the term.

If you have any questions at all please come and speak to me.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mr Wayne