

Year 6 Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome back to what we hope is going to be a really successful and happy term in year 6. We are so pleased to be back and ready to get going with learning. Year 6 is an important year and we will be working hard to prepare the children for their journey through SATs and on to their new schools. There will be lots of fun and exciting things along the way.

Our theme

For the Autumn term, our topic is 'The Blue Planet'. We will be learning all about rivers in the U.K, erosion, climate change and sustainability. We will also find out all about the island of Iceland as a place of study in Europe. Our science lessons will center around electricity. Art lessons will look at how to use different brush strokes when painting water in different forms and marine life. R.E will continue to be taught across the term starting with a focus of Islam.



English

Our writing in English will also be linked to our theme and we will be writing narratives and descriptions based around 'The Emperor's New Groove' and 'Moana'. We will also be writing diaries for an Antarctic explorer and leaflets to persuade tourists to visit Iceland as well as news paper reports about volcanic explosions on the island. Through all of this writing, we will continue to improve our grammar and sentence structure skills.

In addition, we will continue to work on our reading skills of inference and deduction as well as learning new vocabulary and improving our reading fluency.

Maths

Our maths lessons this term will have a large focus on place value and the understanding of number. We will ensure that all children are confident in using formal methods to calculate with the four operations and also have a good grasp of mathematical vocabulary. Later in the term we will spend time consolidating knowledge about fractions and move on to calculating with them, ordering and comparing and knowing equivalent decimals and percentages.



You can continue to support your child by engaging them in every day maths situations including telling the time, handling money and reading measures. In order to prepare children for their SATs, practicing the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division will be essential. It is also important your child knows the times tables up to the twelve times table, forwards and backwards, and the associated division facts e.g. $63 \div 9 = 7$. All children have access to Times Table Rock-Stars and should be using this regularly.

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Key Messages

- PE lessons: On the day of your child's P.E lesson, they are to come to school in their kits (track-suits, a white T shirt and a school sweat shirt). They can bring a different sweat shirt to change into.
- Check your class dojo story to find the P.E days for your child's class
- Thank you for your support in sending the children to school in the correct uniform.

The year 6 team would like to thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Miss Harvey, Mr Cooper & Miss Coe