

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

YEAR 6

AUTUMN TERM 1 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please find below the units that your child will be learning this term.

English

Writing:

Text types: Setting description, Balanced argument, Diary entry

- To be able to identify audience and the purpose of the writing.
- To be able to use a range of sentence starters to create specific effects.
- To be able to sustain and develop ideas logically in fictional and non-fictional narrative writing.
- To select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect the level of formality required.

Reading:

Focus texts: From Slave ship to freedom

- To be able to read books that are structured in different ways.
- To be able to identify themes in texts.
- To be able to identify and explain how writers use grammatical features for effect.
- To express a personal point of view about a text, giving reasons linked to evidence from texts.

Grammar:

- To use a range of cohesive devices including adverbials, within and across sentences and paragraphs.
- To use passive and modal verbs mostly appropriately
- To use a wide range of clause structures, sometimes varying their position

Mathematics

- To be able to read, write, order and compare numbers up to 10,000,000
- To determine the value of each digit in numbers up to 10,000,000.
- To be able to round any whole number to a required degree of accuracy.
- To use negative numbers in context, and calculate intervals across zero.
- To solve problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
- To identify common factors, common multiples and prime numbers.
- To be able to perform mental calculations, including with mixed operations and large numbers.

Arabic Studies

Countries & My Daily Routines:

Autumn term in year 6 will include the topics Countries and My Daily Routines where pupils will learn the names of the seven continents and selected countries. Pupils will talk about countries they have visited or would like to visit and why. The focus during the second half of the term will be on children's daily routines where they will learn a song about different daily routines whilst learning to read and understand a text about routines, concluding in a written short text describing their daily routines.

PE - Handball, Football

Sports covered this term will be: **Netball, Gymnastics**

The pupils will continue to apply and develop a broader range of skills, linking more complex actions and sequences of movement. They should enjoy communicating working together as a team and competing. They will continue to learn about their own personal journey, how to be the best they can be and recognise how to evaluate success and failures. The pupils will start to learn about why mental health has a strong impact on their decision making and their own health.

The pupils will be able to talk confidently and promote the importance of living a healthy lifestyle, understand the long-lasting effects regular active movement has on our mental health and bodies.

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Key Beliefs:

How can beliefs practices and community support determine responses to matters of life and death? How might beliefs and community shape a person's identity

Music

Pupils will look at Sea shanties and recognise underlying themes linked with the music that was used to help slaves survive during their transportation.

- Develop an understanding of the history of music.
- Improvise and compose music for a range of purposes using interrelated dimensions.

Computing

Pupils will be able to decipher different forms of internet communication and what type of networking is involved. They will discuss issues related to privacy and information security and know how to manage information online.

Science

Pupils will be learning about living things and their habitats. They will describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants, and animals. Pupils will be able to give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

Additional Information

Preparation:

All children should have the school PE kit as this is part of their uniform. This **must** include trainers or plimsolls and the school T-shirt. Children are not allowed to do PE in their school shoes. PE kits need to be bought in on Thursdays.

Please ensure that children are prepared for school every day. Children are expected and should be encouraged to attend every lesson with a pencil case and all necessary stationery.

Homework:

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday for it to be completed by the following Tuesday. In addition to this, Year 6 children are expected to read independently for at least 30 minutes on a daily basis. Please encourage your child to set time everyday to complete the homework that they are set.

Parent workshop

Wednesday 15th September 2021 at 1:50pm. The parent workshop will be held face to face in the school hall. This is a crucial year for your child, so we encourage you all to please attend as it's important for you to understand Year 6 and how to support your child at home.

We hope that you find this information useful and will continue to support your child's learning at home.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Saddique (Year Leader) Ms Ehsan, Ms Shahid, Ms Kashmiri and Mrs Ali

