

Home Learning

Reading: the children should still be reading daily at home. They need to complete the 5 boxes in their reading record/homework diary. Each Monday I shall check these and the children will receive 1 House Point for every entry.

Homework: A spelling/grammar sheet and a mental maths sheet will be sent home every Friday, and due in for the following Friday.

Dates for the diary

7/11/24—Parent consultations

11/11/24—Anti-bullying week

12/11/24 —Parent consultations

12/11/24—school photos

15/11/24—Children in Need

20/11/24—Kent Test parent meeting

25/11/24—Ancient Greek workshop

13/12/24—Christmas jumper day

19/12/24—Christmas carols

20/12/24—last day of term

Year 5 and 6 Autumn Term 2

English

Within our Secrets of a Sun King reading unit, we will be focussing on summarising and retrieving relevant information; comparing similar texts; providing a personal response and speculating on the author's intent from their language choices.

Our first writing unit this term is First person narratives based around Ancient Greek myths and legends (linked to our history unit.) The focus will be using dialogue accurately to convey and develop characters as well as relative clauses to add detail.

The second unit of the term will be Balanced arguments. Within this unit we will be revisiting formal language from last terms formal letters unit, as well as using emotive language to express our opinions on issues. We will also be including modal verbs conjunctions to discuss both sides of an argument.

Our final unit will be Poems that explore form. Within this one week unit, we will be looking at the features of haikus and cinquains and how authors play with language.



Our class text

Mathematics

Y5

- Multiply and divide by 10, 100, 1000
- Finding equivalent unit and non unit fractions
- Converting proper, improper and mixed fractions
- Order and compare fractions
- Add and subtract fractions including proper, improper and mixed numbers

Y6

- Equivalent fractions & simplifying
- Compare and order fractions
- Add and subtract fractions
- Multiply and divide fractions by integers and fractions
- Find fractions of amounts
- Convert and calculate metric and imperial units
- Introduction to ratio

Science

We will be looking at Animals as well as humans for the first part of this term. This will involve human teeth and digestion as well as how humans change over time.

We will also look at the topic of sound. We will investigate what sound is, how it travels and what pitch and loudness means.

RE

Our topic will be based on Incarnation. We will weigh up how far the idea that Jesus is the Messiah (a Saviour from God) is important in the world today and, if it is true, what difference that might make in people's lives.

PE

We will be continuing with our swimming sessions for the first part of this term, and then moving on to fitness where we will be looking at how balance, strength, agility and coordination help us in multiple tasks/games.

Modern Foreign Languages (MFL)

We will be reviewing informal and formal ways to begin a conversation and share information about ourselves. We will think of ways to extend conversations and share more about ourselves.

Computing

In this unit, learners start to create vector drawings. They learn how to use different drawing tools to help them create images. Learners recognise that images in vector drawings are created using shapes and lines, and each individual element in the drawing is called an object.

Geography

We are continuing our geography unit this term on environmental biomes and vegetation belts. We will look at what biomes exist, what the different features are and where in the world they are located. We will also look at what characteristics define Europe, North and South America.

History

We are continuing our topic about the Ancient Greeks. We will be identifying what myths and fables the Ancient Greeks created (linked in to our Writing units.) Looking at the type of characters and what the intended message was for the Greek people. We will also investigate why the Olympics were created and how they differ from today.



PSHE

Our topic this term focusses on our health and wellbeing. We will look at the importance of sleep, relaxation and diet.

Music

Our topic this term will be Jazz as well as preparing for the Christmas Carole Service.

Art

Are unit will focus on printmaking where we will be looking at artists Andy Warhol and John Brunson. The children will create a landscape combining printing techniques, mono-printing and reduction printing.

DT

DT will link with the Be Safe, Be Seen campaign where they have to design and make a road safety belt using programming on a micro:bit.