



SPRING

Year 6

Newsletter

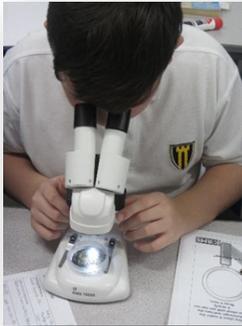
What we have been up to:

In Year 6 we have been.....

Examining Victorian artefacts to see what they can tell us about life in the past.



Using microscopes to describe different samples in detail.



Investigating the flexibility of our feet.



Curriculum:

English

In English next half term we are going to be learning about what a balanced argument is and how we can write one on the topic of mobile phones in school. We will also be looking at writing our own spooky story and, moving on from informal letters this half term, we will be writing a formal letter of complaint.

In reading, we will be continuing to focus on improving our comprehension skills by comparing books, drawing inferences using evidence from the text and discussing how authors use language to have impact upon the reader.

Curriculum:

Science

In Science we will be moving onto our topic of light. In this topic we will be looking at how light appears to travel in straight lines, explaining how we see things and learning about shadows. As part of this we will be studying Sir Isaac Newton and his work.

PSHCE

In PSHCE next term we will be thinking about the future and what we would like to achieve by the end of this school year.

Curriculum:

Maths

In Maths we will be moving onto the topic of measurement, looking in particular at converting units of measurement and calculating area, perimeter and volume. Alongside this we will be continuing our number work, focusing on our four operations to complete calculations using our number bond and times table knowledge.

Computing

In computing we will be moving onto a new unit called 'Inside our insides'. We will be researching a part of the human body and looking at how we can use green screen technology to create a presentation as if we are inside the body!

Curriculum:

Theme

In Theme next half term we will be learning about the Ancient Greeks. In this topic we will be investigating life in Ancient Greece and how it was influenced by the environment and religious beliefs, the role of women and the how the Ancient Greeks changed the world.

RE

In RE next half term we will be looking at the themes of justice and freedom. As part of this we will be looking at what these two words mean and how our ideas of them have changed over time. This will also include looking at human rights and famous non-violent protests.

Reminders/Key dates:

Last day of term

Tuesday 19 December

Spring term

4 January - 29 March

Non-Uniform day - Christmas Jumper

19 December

NSPCC

22 January

Fire Service

30 January

Police - Internet Safety

6 February

Curriculum:

Specialist subjects

In French we are going to be learning about places in the town and learning to give our opinions of the town.

In Music our next unit is Classic Keys and we will be using the keyboards to learn about notation and diatonic and chromatic notes.

In Art we will be looking at 'Op Art' particularly focusing on the work of Bridget Riley, trying to create pieces in a similar style to hers.

In Design Technology we will be creating a cover for our own game and reinforcing what we have learnt in computing this half term about 'Scratch.'

In Food Technology this half term we will be using the oven safely to make shortbread, making seasonal cakes and evaluating our food with accurate descriptions and suggesting improvements.

In PE over the next term we will be doing basketball, handball, swimming, dance, gymnastics and athletics.