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Year 6

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 6 we have been.....

collaborating in groups to run investigations in science.



We have also been challenging ourselves to learn the countries of South America.



Activity week

On Monday the pupils made headaddresses ready for their Carnival Day.



Curriculum:

English

In English this term, we will be doing lots of reading and writing activities based around the novel, **Holes by Louis Sachar**. This novel is about a young boy called Stanley Yelnats, a boy who has had bad luck due to a curse placed on his great-great-grandfather, who is sent to Camp Green Lake, a juvenile detention camp, for a crime he did not commit. This is a very exciting unit of work that we are all looking forward to teaching as it has always been a huge hit with Year 6 and 7 pupils.

Curriculum:

Science

In science we will be spending additional time on our electricity unit, carrying out investigations and evaluating their reliability and whether we have conducted a fair test. Following this, we will be moving onto our unit 'Animals including Humans' by examining the human circulatory system; the impact of diet, exercise and drugs and the main body parts.

PSHCE

In June we will be taking part in a range of activities for Health and Well-being Month. We will learn about making healthy choices, the importance of staying safe in the sun, discussing why it is important to be happy and how to improve our well-being. In July we will be focusing on changes that the children are going through at this point in their lives – looking at puberty and transitioning from Primary to Secondary at school.

Curriculum:

Maths

In maths we are going to be consolidating our understanding of ratio, proportion and algebra to ensure pupils have a firm understanding. We will also be carrying out a range of investigative maths activities which will pull together all of the knowledge learnt over the year to solve a problem.

Computing

In computing we have the opportunity to learn more about programming by using microbits. This is an exciting activity as it really allows pupils to see their coding in action and debug any problems. We will also be using the Logo software to create increasingly complex patterns.

Curriculum:

Theme

In Theme we will be completing our topic on Brazil by examining the importance of the Amazon river and famous landmarks in Brazil. Following this, we will move onto our topic of the Mayans where we will be examining their place in history and the impact they had on modern civilisation. This will involve using a range of evidence from different sources and evaluating their reliability when examining an ancient civilisation.

RE

Next half term we will be focusing on eternity in RE, building on our knowledge from this half term. We will be looking further into the beliefs about humanism, emancipation and re-incarnation, immortality and heaven.

Reminders/Key dates:

Summer term

16 April - 20 July

Half term

28 May - 1 June

June

Health and Well-being month

Swotbot computing workshop

5 - 6 June

Visit from the Blue Cross about 'Being a responsible dog owner'

13 June

Curriculum:

Specialist subjects

In French we will be starting our unit on holidays by recapping what we learnt about ordering in a café, learning how to buy an ice cream and writing our own holiday postcards.

In art we will be continuing our unit on water, developing our painting skills and studying landscape artists.

In design technology we will be creating a cover for a game and consolidating our knowledge of *Scratch*.

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

In music we will be studying 'Tell us a Story' where we will be examining elements of music, looking at how to appraise music, composing and creating music for poetry and text.

In P.E we will be doing dance, gymnastics and athletics and in games we will be doing tennis, cricket and rounders.