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Year 6

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 6 we have been.....

settling into Year 6 and getting to know our new teachers.

We have also been getting used to using the main hall for lunch.

In Science, we have been learning about the formation of fossils and analysing some.



Reminders/Key dates:

Autumn term

6 September - 17 December

Training day

22 October

Half term

25 October - 29 October

Bike to school week

(week commencing)
27 September

Parents' evening

19 October & 21 October

Curriculum:

English

In English we are writing an informal letter based on the short film 'Something Fishy'. We have also been developing our knowledge and understanding of figurative language; using simile, personification, alliteration and onomatopoeia to make our writing interesting and lively. In addition, we have started our class guided reading text 'Street Child', which links to our History Topic 'Victorians'.

Curriculum:

Science

In science this half term we are learning about how fossils provide us with information about the past, recognise that living things produce offspring and how animals and plants adapt to their environments.

Personal Development

This half term in PD we are exploring the topic 'Being me in my world'. We will be creating a learning charter, understanding our feelings and those of others alongside learning about democracy.

PE

In year 6 PE, 6BC are starting the Autumn term with swimming lessons whilst 6EB and 6EK will be partaking in athletics, OAA and gymnastics.

Meanwhile in year 6 games, pupils are trying out netball, cricket, dodgeball, table tennis, football, rugby and hockey.

Curriculum:

Maths

In maths we are consolidating our understanding of Place Value, including rounding and negative numbers. We will then be moving on to the four operations and solving problems involving these.

Computing

We are keeping safe by being careful not to give out personal information when we are chatting or posting online. We are learning to tell a trusted adult if someone, or something, makes us feel uncomfortable when online. We know to check that information online is reliable and use reliable sources.

Curriculum:

History/Geography

In History our topic for this half term is 'Victorians'. Within this topic we will be learning about Queen Victoria, The British Empire, and the development and impact of steam. We will also explore the lives of people living in the Victorian times and the impacts that events in the Victorian period have had on the Modern World.

RE

In RE this half term we are exploring how Christianity perceives God as being 'holy and loving.' We will be exploring religious texts, hymns and songs.

Specialist subjects

FRENCH

In French this half term, we will be learning about weather and the different seasons. We will be learning to answer the question "Quel temps fait-il?" (What weather is it?) and thinking about how the answer may change for different locations around the world.

PERFORMING ARTS

Each class will have a term of drama throughout the year. In drama, pupils are studying the basics of theatre staging and will explore how to apply drama conventions and characterisation skills to a performance. In music the children are performing songs from the musical theatre world and will have the opportunity to perform on stage in front of their class.

ART

Year 6 have begun a 'Day of the Dead' topic looking at the Decorative Folk Art of the Mexican Festival. They will be practicing Tonal drawing, looking at Artists Damien Hirst and Jose Posada and making decorative ceramic skulls.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

We will be designing and making class name plaques. They will be exploring hand held tools to sculpt their wood and will decorate them in a design of their choice. An evaluation will round off the project.