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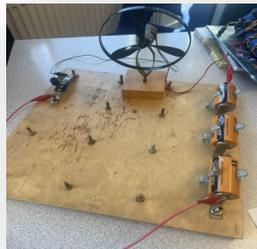
Year 6

Newsletter

What we have been up to:

In Year 6 we have been...

conducting our own scientific investigations about voltage.



In maths, pupils have been learning about factors, multiples, primes as well as calculating using fractions.

We have also been writing our own newspaper reports based on the flooding in Bedford last December and writing the ending to the tale 'Auta the Giant Killer'.

Reminders/Key dates:

Back to school on
4 January 2022

Spring term 2022
4 January - 1 April

Half term
14 February - 18 February

Easter Holiday
4 April - 19 April
(returning on the 20 April)

Training day
19 April

Curriculum:

English

Whole Class Reading

We will be reading 'Holes' by Louis Sachar.

You are welcome to bring in your own copies from home.

For English, reading, writing and speaking and listening activities will be related to 'Holes'.

The children will continue to work on using inference and deduction in comprehension tasks, learning spellings, working through the handwriting scheme and enjoying reading books from the library.

They will start a Reading Challenge.
More details to follow.

Personal Development

This half term's topic is 'Dreams and Goals' where the pupils will be identifying their own goals and how to achieve these as well as discussing how they can work with other people to help make the world a better place.

Science

Animals including Humans

The children will learn about the different systems within the body, particularly the circulatory system, the different parts that make up that system and about the importance of each component. They will learn how water and nutrients are transported around the body. Also, they will learn the importance of exercise and nutrition.

Curriculum:

Maths

We will start the term by continuing our 'Fractions' unit, before moving onto 'Position and Direction,' 'Decimals,' 'Percentages,' and 'Algebra.'

Computing

The children will design, write and debug programs and solve problems by decomposing them into smaller parts, using; 'Scratch'. They will also use sequence, selection and repetition in programs alongside using logical reasoning to explain how simple algorithms work.

History

Crime and Punishment

We will be looking at Crime and Punishment from Roman times through to the Victorian era. The children will learn about various crimes in the different eras and about the different punishments that were handed out. They will also learn about the Justice System and how it works.

RE

We will be looking at the question, 'How does faith enable resilience?' We will consider the views of Christians, Jews, Muslims, Hindus and non-religious people. Themes include the search for enlightenment and forgiveness.

Design Technology

Pupils will be finalising their cam toy designs. Once completed they will move into the making stage where a range of different tools will be used to construct the frame and all of the moving parts.

Curriculum:

French

This half term, we will learn the vocabulary for places in a town, and how to build sentences saying what there is (il y a) and what there is not (il n'y a pas de). They will develop their dictionary and memory skills, learning a French poem about Paris and creating their own version.

Art

Pupils will complete their OP Art topic with 3D cubes to hang from the new Primary Practical Room ceiling.

In February we will be taking part in 'Future Bedford' Art competition for the Harpur Trust. Entries will be ceramic based and created after a workshop with visiting artist Amanda Silk.

PE

6EK will begin swimming in PE. In games, they will return to netball and then move on to hockey.

6BC will be on OAA, working on a variety of skills, including team work. In games, they will return to rugby and then on to table tennis.

6EB will be on fitness, looking at how physical activity creates changes to their bodies. In their games lessons, they will return to football and then on to rugby.

Performing Arts

Year 6 have been learning to play the Ukulele and will continue to do this through a whole class ensemble.

6EK will be having Drama & Dance lessons this term where they will study the basics of theatre staging and will explore how to apply drama conventions and characterisation skills to a performance.