

12th September, 2014

YEAR 6 TOPIC LETTER – AUTUMN TERM

Dear Parents,

Outlined below is the curriculum your child is following this term. We hope that it will be of use to you when discussing school with your child and looking for ways in which you can support your child at home.

ENGLISH

The children will study a range of literature. They will adapt and perform playscripts and read a wide range of poetry by significant modern poets. We will analyse poetic forms. We will study autobiographies, biographies, CSV's, journalistic writing and reviews. Throughout the term the emphasis will be on presentation of work, punctuation, spelling and grammar. Story writing skills will be developed and strategies for revision will be explored. Spellings will be given to the children on Mondays with a test the following Friday. Practice for external testing will be continuous.

NUMERACY

During the Numeracy Hour all aspects of place value and the four rules will be revised. Children will cover work on fractions, decimals, percentages, time zones, shape and space, measurement, probability and angles. Mental maths will be practised regularly. Practice for external testing will be continuous.

SCIENCE

This term we will study more about Micro-organisms as well as looking at How we See Things.

A visit to the Science Museum would be of interest to the children.

R.E.

This term we will be thinking about the Holy Bible and reflecting on its significance in the lives of Christians. We will also be exploring personal values and commitments and discussing what inspires us as individuals.

ICT

This term in ICT, year 6 will learn to use the coding unit called Kudo. The program enables children to create virtual worlds and characters. They will write simple codes to control and move characters.

HISTORY

This term we will study various aspects of The Ancient Greeks. We will also be looking at the legacy of Greek culture on later periods of British History.

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography we will cover two topics: 'Countries of the World' and 'Our European Neighbours' which will focus on learning about continents and countries.

ART

We will be studying the QCA Unit 'A Sense of Place' in which the children will explore both rural and urban landscapes as a starting point for 2D work. We will also look at the work of various artists, such as L.S. Lowry and Andy Warhol.

MUSIC

The focus for Music will be 'Heroes of Troy', a BBC Music Workshop, which will link with our History topic.

PE/GAMES

We will continue to develop ball skills and team participation through games. Indoors, we will be improving our dance and gymnastic skills.

We hope you will find this information useful.

Yours sincerely,

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Class Teachers