



Curriculum Newsletter










Year 6 Autumn 2023

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Mrs Perks

Mrs Elwell

This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term;

	English	English will be taught in ability groups. We will be covering a range of writing genres and will link texts to our topic Down With Darwin. Every child will also take part in two guided reading sessions every week, where we will focus on retrieving and inferring information, as well as understanding language.
	Maths	Maths will also be ability set. We will be following the national curriculum for Year 6 and will cover topics including place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, fractions and coordinates. In Year 6 we work hard to improve children's mental abilities and their reasoning skills.
	Topic/Science	Our topic this term is "Down with Darwin". This is a science-based topic linked to the National Curriculum Year 6 Programme of Study: Evolution and Inheritance, and Living Things and their Habitats. The children will learn about how animals have evolved to adapt to their surroundings and about famous scientists like Mary Anning and Charles Darwin, and how their work has contributed to our knowledge and understanding of the world. During the topic the children will also create self-portraits in art lessons and will design a t-shirt logo in Design and Technology.
	Religious Education	In RE we will be studying the Christian religion specifically in relation to the basis of belief which is the Apostles Creed as well as comparing writings in the Bible and Quran. We will also encourage pupils to discuss their opinions about moral, social and environmental issues.
	Music	We are very fortunate again this year because our music curriculum will be taught by Mrs Gullick. Due The children will also be learning to play the flute this term as part of the DPA Music programme in school.
	PSHE	We will be asking the pupils to think about themselves and how they relate to others around them. We will also look at peer pressure and how to deal with it, as well as understanding bias in the media.
	Computing	We will develop the children's knowledge of Microsoft PowerPoint and Word and use these skills to present information about our residential trip. After half term, the main focus for computing will be Coding using Espresso Coding.
	PE	Our PE curriculum consists of both outdoor and indoor sports which will include some specialist coaching from Mr Whitehouse. The children will be completing some core fitness work including cross country, and will be playing invasion games like Netball and Tag Rugby.
	Language	Year 6 will be continuing the French language studies, looking at French culture and taking every opportunity for children to use the French language in useful contexts. Children will also take part in a French afternoon, allowing the children to be immersed within the culture, including trying French foods.

Additional information: Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday so please make sure your child has their PE kit in school, jewellery removed and long hair tied back on these days please. Please read with your child at least three times a week and write a comment in their reading record, accompanied with a signature.

Homework: each week your child will be given one piece of English and one piece of maths homework. They will be given out on a Friday, and must be bought back in by Tuesday. Please continue to learn Times Tables and spellings each week.