

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

YEAR 6

Summer 1 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

We hope that you have had a restful Easter break and are ready for this term's learning. Please find below the units that your child will be learning this term as well as some important information and upcoming events.

English

In summer 1, pupils in Year 6 will be looking at formal letter writing, and in particular 'On how the cold war had an impact on world relations. They will be exposed to the following grammar and vocabulary to match the purpose and audience of their writing:

- Using a wide range of cohesive devices to build fluency and structure within and across paragraphs.
- Proposing different changes to vocabulary and punctuation to help enhance the impact of the writing upon the reader.
- Pupils will evaluate and edit by assessing the effectiveness of their own and others writing.
- Recognising vocabulary and structures that is appropriate for formal speech and writing, including subjunctive forms.

Maths

This half term will focus on developing student competency whilst shape and space and translation. The main focus areas will be volume of shapes and identifying parts of a circle in addition to co-ordinates on grids.

This will be all reinforced with lots of reasoning and problem solving in leading up to some transition work for early KS3 maths.

MFL – Arabic

At the Cafe: Pupils in year 6 will learn vocabulary related to the café such as typical foods and drinks. They will also learn common phrases at the café which will include questions and phrases used when placing and taking an order. Pupils will read and demonstrate their understanding of a short conversation at the café. The topic will conclude with pupils performing a role-play which will require children to act as waiters/waitresses taking an order and customers placing an order, with the entire conversation taking place in Arabic.

Science

In science this term, the children will be focusing on Evolution and Inheritance.

- To recognise that living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago
- To recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents
- To identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution

RE

In Year six, we will explore what motivates and inspires believers and how can this be reflected in practice. We will study the Prophets SAW last sermon, we will dissect the main points, we will explore how we can implement the key messages in to our lives.

We will learn about Bilal RA, we focus on the life of Bilal Ra, we will study when, how and why Bilal RA was the first person to give the Adhaan at the three holiest Masaajid in Islaam.

PE

The pupils will develop all the skills needed to play invasion games and devise their own.

Character Skill – Responsibility. Co-Operation

Through invasion games the pupils will learn how to develop and adapt their techniques in throwing, catching and moving. They will learn how tactical situations are important and how to work as a team to defend or attack. The pupils will start to learn about why mental health has a strong impact on their decision making and their own health. The pupils will also be able to talk confidently and promote the importance of living a healthy life style, understand the long-lasting effects regular active movement has on our mental health and bodies.

Computing

Pupils will be assessing and analyzing the impact of variables in programming for digital gaming and in the creation of apps such as scratch. Pupils will also be improving existing games, designing them using scratch by using designated coding.

Additional Information

PE Kit

Please find below the days that each class will have PE:

6.1 – Monday & Thursday

6.2 – Thursday and Friday

6.3 – Thursday and Friday

All children must wear school uniform to school, **not** their PE kits. They should have the school PE kit as this is part of their uniform. This **must** include trainers or plimsolls, navy or black jogging bottoms and the new maroon polo shirt. Children are not allowed to do PE in their school shoes. We advise that children bring their PE kits in on Monday and keep them in school for the week. From the week of 15th May until the 13th July, Pupils will be having swimming weekly – Tuesdays boys and Thursdays for girls.

Homework

Homework will be given out on a **Friday** for it to be completed by the following **Tuesday**. Please encourage your child to set time every day to complete the homework as if it is left to do the night before, it can be overwhelming for your child to complete in one go. It is also expected that every child reads independently for at least 20-25 minutes every day. Please continue to support your child with their spellings and times tables. Teachers will be keeping a weekly tracker of all homework that is completed. Your child has a login for my-maths where they will be able to complete their maths homework online.

We hope that you find this information useful and that you are able to use it to support your child's learning at home. If there are any other queries, please do contact the front office with your message and we will endeavor to get back to you.

Yours faithfully,

Year 6 teachers