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CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER YEAR 6 SPRING TERM 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please find below the units that your child will be learning this term.

English

Writing:

Text types: historical fiction, diary entry, informal letter

- To be able to identify audience and the purpose of the writing.
- To be able to use a range of sentence starters to create specific effects.
- To be able to sustain and develop ideas logically in fictional and non-fictional narrative writing.
- To select vocabulary and grammatical structures that reflect the level of formality required.

Reading:

Focus texts: The Boy in Striped Pajamas

- To be able to read books that are structured in different ways.
- To be able to identify themes in texts.
- To be able to identify and explain how writers use grammatical features for effect.
- To express a personal point of view about a text, giving reasons linked to evidence from texts.

Grammar:

- To use a range of cohesive devices including adverbials, within and across sentences and paragraphs.
- To use passive and modal verbs mostly appropriately.
- To use a wide range of clause structures, sometimes varying their position.
- To use multiclause sentences to expand on ideas within the sentences.
- To express dreams and wishes using the subjunctive form.

Mathematics

- Algebra: Pupils will be learning how to identify and express rules via functions. They will also be formulating their own expressions in addition to calculating unknown values.
- **Measurement:** Pupils will be understanding what metric measures are, converting and calculating between metric measures, understanding the differences between miles and kilometers and what imperial measures are.
- **Perimeter, area and volume:** Pupils will be calculating areas and perimeters of shapes, working out the areas of triangles and parallelograms, understanding what volume is and calculating the volume of cubes and cuboids.
- Ratio: Understanding ratios and fractions, calculating ratios using scale factors and solving ratio and proportion problems.
- **Statistics:** Read and interpret line graphs, drawing and using line graphs to solve problems, reading and interpreting pie charts and calculating the mean.























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Arabic Studies

Spring term in year 6 will include the topics of food and holidays. Pupils will learn the names of different types of food. They will go on to describe different types of food as well as discussing healthy and unhealthy food and expressing their likes and dislikes about food. The pupils will begin to show understanding of more complex sentences in 'authentic' conversations through listening and speaking. They will also listen to appropriate stories and poems and will identify patterns of language and link sound to spelling.

PE - Athletics

The pupils will be focusing on developing their technical understanding of their athletic ability. They will learn how to set targets (personal best) and improve their performance in a range of running, jumping and throwing activities. The pupils will learn athletic specific skills and will be able to perform them with consistency, accuracy, confidence, control and speed. They will continue to learn about their own personal journey, how to be the best they can be and recognise how to evaluate success and failures. Pupils will also start to explore why mental health has a strong impact on their decision making and their own health. They will be able to talk confidently and promote the importance of living a healthy life style and understand the long-lasting effects regular active movement has on our mental health and bodies. Additionally, pupils will develop their leadership skills by starting to lead sessions.

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Key Beliefs:

How are significant religious people inspired?

How well does faith help people cope with matters of life and death?

Science

Pupils will be covering the topic of Light. They will learn that light travels in straight lines and will use this idea to explain how objects are seen. Through investigation, they will use the law of reflection to understand the relationship between the angle of incidence and the angle of reflection. Pupils will also use the idea of light travelling in straight lines to explain why shadows have the same shape as the objects that cast them. Additionally, they will be taught to plan different types of scientific enquiries to answer questions, including recognising and controlling variables where necessary.

Additional Information

KEY DATE: Parent Workshop - 16/1/24 @ 2pm in the school hall

Preparation:

All children should have the <u>school PE kit</u> as this is part of their uniform. This **must** include trainers or plimsolls and the new school T-shirt. Children are not allowed to do PE in their school shoes.

Homework:

Please encourage your child to set time aside to complete the homework that they are set.

Your child has a login for My Maths, where they will be able to complete their maths homework online. Pupils are also expected to complete reading comprehension and grammar homework on MS teams is. In addition to this, Year 6 children are expected to read independently for at least 30 minutes on a daily basis.

Children will also be set 10 minute daily challenges to complete on MS Teams. Please make sure this is completed daily.

We hope that you find this information useful and will continue to support your child's learning at home.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Saddique (Year Leader) Ms Ehsan, Ms Dhanda Mrs Kashmri



















