



What are we learning in Year 5/6?

Term Autumn 2

November 2024

Welcome back to all our families. It is absolutely wonderful to have the children back together to continue our learning and build upon the success we had as we began in our new classes last term. An important reminder for all is that the school day begins at 8:45am. Breakfast club is open from 8:30am. Arriving on time ensures pupils can enjoy a relaxed start to the day, eat some breakfast and settle into the day's learning. If your child is absent, please ensure this is reported to the office as early as possible on the first day of absence.

OUR TOPIC THIS HALF TERM

Our topic this half term is: WW2

The History topic will focus around the Battle of Britain and the lives of ordinary people during the Blitz before further exploring the events of Pearl Harbour and ultimately the D-Day landings. Finally ending with exploring the end of the war

Science: Children will be looking at the ideas surrounding evolution, inheritance and adaptation across all living species.

DT: This term in DT, we will be inspired by WW2 as we create a model of an Anderson shelter out of various different materials

ENGLISH

In English we are further developing writing by applying our skills to a wider range of genres. The children are going to base their writing around WW2.

In all of our writing projects, we will be focusing on how to further enhance our writing by using a range of literary devices. We encourage you to speak to your child about their learning, particularly their writing, as their understanding develops significantly through discussion and explanation.

Reading: Please ensure your child reads at least 3 times per week and has their diary signed by an adult.

MATHS

Pupils will continue to follow our Harmony Trust Spiral maths curriculum. We are still placing additional focus on the 4 operations and our overall arithmetic understanding. This term we will explore and consolidate new methods of multiplication and division before focusing upon fractions.

QUICK OVERVIEW OF OTHER SUBJECTS

PSHE – Nutrition and Food

RE – Christians and Beliefs centred around the role of Jesus Christ

PE – Dance

Things to remember:

Weekly Homework/ Spellings
Homework is set using our learning platforms and children should complete this using their iPad.

The learning platforms are Purple Mash, TT Rock Stars, Sum Dog and Spelling Shed, MyOn, Accelerated reader and For Year 6 SATs Companion

Please ask your child's teacher if you are unable to access any of the platforms.

PE: Thursday and Friday.
Children should wear PE kits on those days. Ensure PE kits are suitable for indoor or outdoor lessons.

SATs Booster sessions

Starting on the Thursday 21st November and these will be running every Thursday until 4pm. Booster sessions will begin with a focus on both maths and reading in order to best prepare the children ahead of their upcoming SATs exams

Contact details:

Please ensure your contact details are up to date.
Report any changes to the office.

At home you can help your child by...

- Encouraging them to read **every day** and talking to them about what they have read.
- Making sure they complete their homework to a **good standard**.
- Make sure your child is fully prepared for school with the correct uniform and equipment.