

Year 6 Newsletter: Term 2



FAO, the parents and carers of class 6TP

Term 2 is always a busy one.

This term, we've already had parents evening, bikeability for those who signed up) and the Be Bright, Be Seen workshop and the national Bebras challenge. There is plenty more to come as Year 6 have mock SATS towards the end of term and we have a trip to the Houses of Parliament in London.

You may have noticed that there is a new adult in class at the moment, this is Miss Happe and she is a student teacher who will be with us until the end of the term. At the moment she is supporting in class and teaching Science under my supervision. She will be happy to talk to you if you have any questions about her role in class and how she is supporting your child.

The Year 6 Wordpress page is up and running, please remember to check it for information. You will be able to find a link to the class Long Term Plan for the year, the weekly study timetable, a link to the class Twitter feed, notices and of course your children's homework.



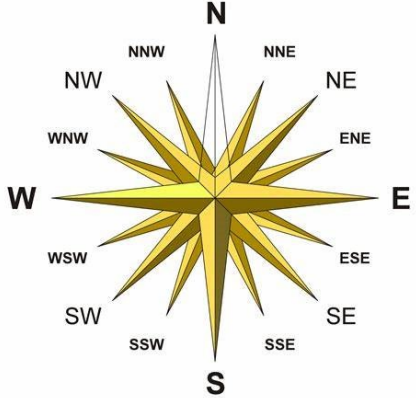
PE is on Wednesday and Friday afternoon, so please ensure that your children have PE kit, including trainers, in school on those days.

I look forward to working with your children this year, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak with me before school in the mornings or afternoons at collection time. Otherwise, I can be contacted by email via the office.

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LITERACY	MATHEMATICS	WIDER CURRICULUM
<p>This term we will be studying 'Macbeth' – The Scottish play.</p>  <p>This is as the children's first introduction to Shakespeare, so we have learned a bit about Shakespeare himself. Why he is famous and where and when he lived. The version of the play we are studying is a story based on the play and the children are having some exposure to the actual script through looking at portions of the play.</p> <p>We have written a gruesome poem, using rhyme and rhyme. This was a our version of the Weird Sisters brew. The children are now writing a persuasive letter to Macbeth, using all of their persuasion techniques. After which,</p>	<p>This term we are looking at revising multiplication, division and fractions. We will also have a day of reasoning every week, when the children engage with problem-solving and thinking like a mathematician.</p> <p>We will also have regular Timetable Rockstar practice in school and children should also be access this outside of school to practise.</p>  <p>We will be focusing on understanding the structure of fractions. How to convert them to equivalent fractions and simplify them. We will be finding fractions of amounts and solving fractions problems. Including learning to convert between mixed numbers and improper</p>	<p>Our geography context is: The North West of England. We will be using the concepts of <u>Place and Space and Scale</u>.</p> <p>We will be looking at the North West region, its counties, I natural and manmade features. We will be looking at Liverpool and the Mersey impartial and drawing compasrions to Bristol. We will be using map reading skills, learning about the 16 point compass 6 figure grid referencing and relational language.</p> 

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they will be writing their own playscript for a portion of the play.



We will also be continuing with handwriting, spelling and grammar

practise and we cover a range of these every week. It is important that children are encouraged to write legibly, please encourage them to practise their weekly spelling homework which will be put onto the Year 5 Wordpress page every Friday.

fractions, add, subtract, order, multiply and divide them.

We will also look at the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages.

In our morning Mathsmagicians sessions, we are continuing with to focus on areas of the curriculum where the children require some additional support. We are looking at wide range of representation of maths so that the children are very familiar with how maths questions may be presented and how to approach answering them.

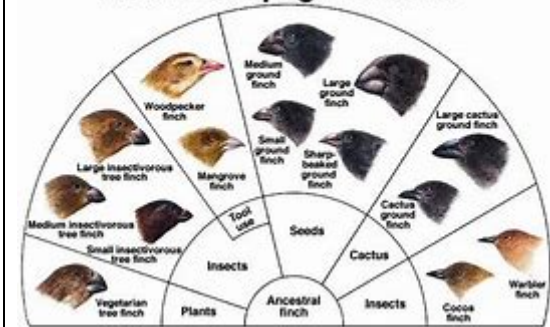
We also have daily multiplication/division Times Table Rockstar tests.

In science: We will be studying Biology: Inheritance and Evolution.

We will be looking at the work of Charles Darwin and learning about how animals have adapted to suit their environment.

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Darwin's Theory of Finches on the Galapagos Islands



Reading:

We read in school everyday. We have dedicated reading lessons on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and I will aim to read with your child one to one at least once a week. Some children may be given extra reading support, if it is required.

How you can help:

Please ensure that your children are reading at home. We ask the children to read at least twice a week, preferably four times per week. It would be great if they could read to an

Homework:

Will be given every Friday to be returned the following Thursday. *Please ensure that your children complete and return their homework. A homework club is being offered from week 4 of term.*

Their homework will usually consist of spellings, which need to be practised and written into sentences. There may be

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adult who can then check their understanding by asking questions. But if this is not possible can you please still check that they are reading for at least 15 minutes two times and week and sign their reading record book to confirm.

They need to bring their reading book and reading record to school every day.

maths related to what we have been studying that week or topic related homework.