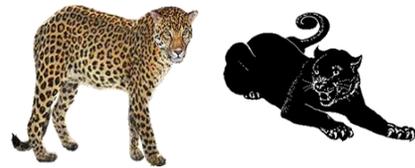


Yearly Curriculum Newsletter for Year 6



Dear Parents and Carers,

In order to keep you informed and help you support your children, we thought it would be useful to share with you some of the arrangements in Year 6.

Class:	Year 6 – Leopards and Panthers		
Class Teacher:	Mr Dodman and Miss Pooley		
Support staff working in the classroom:	Mrs Matthews Mrs Gaunt Mrs Isaacs		
Home learning:	All home learning will be sent home on a Thursday. This will be either on paper or via the school's home learning websites. Home learning will be due back on a Tuesday.		
Reading books:	It is your child's responsibility in Year 6 to change their home reading book when they have finished it. They are given time at school to do this. Children can write in and sign their own home learning diary when they have read. Please sign the diary when you have read with your child. Any brief comments about how they read the book or about any questions / conversations you had about the book are very useful for continual assessment.		
PE kits:	Our PE days are Monday and Friday. Please ensure PE kit is worn to school on these days. Jewellery should be removed and children with long hair should have it tied back for health and safety reasons. Any children not participating in PE will need to have a letter from parents or carers explaining why they are unable to take part in the session.		
Planned trips this year:	Tower of London (Spring) <i>Provisional</i> Hounslow Urban Farm school visit (Spring) <i>Provisional</i> PGL trip to Barton Hall (June)		
Class-led worship dates:	TBC		
Theme work this year:	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	It's not just pizza! World War II	Crime and Punishment Let's go wild	Stairway to Devon Magnificent Mayans

Each half a term we will be sending home a theme overview. This is a useful document that explains how the theme will be taught throughout the foundation subjects. It gives practical ideas of how you can support your child at home and includes suggestions for extra – curricular activities to do as a family. Furthermore, it gives a list of spellings and key vocabulary that are relevant to the theme. If you have any questions about these themes, please speak to the class teacher.

English

Autumn Term:

This term we will be studying a range of non - fiction texts including explanations, recounts and reports. Our narrative focus will be on using books by significant authors as models for story writing and developing the use of descriptive language.

Spring Term:

This term's focus will be on developing comprehension, grammar and punctuation skills. We will also be studying persuasion and discussion texts along with a continued focus on narrative writing.

Summer Term:

This term's focus will be on consolidating grammar and spelling skills in preparation for the SATs. Our narrative focus will be on extending the use of high-level vocabulary and complex sentences in the children's creative writing.

Maths

In the Autumn Term, we will be revisiting number and place value, which will include calculating with the four main operations. We will also be studying fractions and geometry including position and direction. In the Spring Term, we will look at decimals and percentages and introduce basic algebra. As we move through the year our focus will turn to measurement including perimeter, area and converting units of measurement. In the Summer Term, as well as reviewing the key learning required for SATs, we will also look at ratio, statistics and real-life problem solving. We will also be completing catch up units for the work the children missed during lockdown.

RE

Autumn Term:

This term we will be learning about the journey of life and death. We appreciate that this may be a difficult area for some children and we will handle this sensitively. Our second half term will be studying the question: Should every Christian go on a pilgrimage?

Spring Term:

This term our learning will focus on Buddhism. We will also be investigating what monastic traditions within Christianity show us about living in the community.

Summer Term:

This term we will be asking how the Christian message has survived for over 2000 years and will also be learning about how rules and responsibilities in different faith communities are decided and shared.

PE

In PE children will be progressing their ball handling, agility and balancing skills through a series of lessons that are designed to increase their co-ordination skills. In addition, they will be learning the rules and skills of a range of different sports. Precise content of the PE curriculum and lesson structure is subject to change based on latest COVID advice and availability of outdoor space.

ICT / Computing

As well as using ICT throughout the curriculum, the children will be using an online programme called Scratch to learn basic coding. They will also be using computing as a method of research, writing, editing and publishing. Throughout the year we will emphasise the importance of being safe online and address internet safety.

If you have any questions about our year ahead please feel free to catch one of the Year 6 team and we will be happy to help.

Many thanks again for your continued support.

Mr Dodman & Miss Pooley

