



Welcome back to Year 6! We hope you had a lovely half term!

English

In English this half term, the children will be focusing on *discussion texts*. They will be learning to orally retell a text called *Should Robots have the same rights as us?* using story maps and actions. The children will be thinking about the structure and features of a discussion text. We will be working on the use high level punctuation, modal verbs, rhetorical questions and using quotation marks throughout writing. To conclude the unit, the children will then be planning, writing and editing their own discussion text.

Maths

In Maths, we will be learning about: decimals, percentages and fractions, area, perimeter and volume and finally, statistics. We will also continue to complete weekly arithmetic tests on Friday's.

Science

For Spring 2 our Science topic is Evolution and Inheritance. During this topic, the children will be exploring life cycles of living beings such as animals and plants as well as adaptation for different environments. We will also explore fossils. We will continue to focus on the key skills and carry out various experiments.

Geography

Our Geography unit this half term continues to focus on The Biosphere. We will continue to explore planet Earth and its biospheres, as well as the water cycle, including water supplies for the City of London.

RE

Our RE topic this half term is *Christianity: The Gospel*. We will be considering: Is Christianity still a strong religion 2000 years after Jesus was on Earth? This unit will entail a lot of speaking and listening, where the children will be invited to share their own personal feelings and experiences through debate and discussion.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be focusing on the unit Relationships and Sex Education. Children will be exploring puberty and the effects this can have on their bodies and emotions, positive relationships and answering the question of how babies are made. A letter was sent out before half term for parents to look at the key objectives and curriculum aspects of this unit.

PE

This half term, the children will be focusing on the game of Tag Rugby. The children who were swimming before half term will also be swimming this term. Our swimming day for both classes is Friday. Please ensure swimmers have their swimming kit on these days.

Art / DT

Children will be focusing on 3D sculptures and exploring different art from the Saatchi Museum.

Music

In Year 6, the children will be composing pop music using all instruments at their disposal.

Homework

Home learning letters will be given to the children every Friday. There will be weekly English, maths and spelling homework. Please encourage your child to practise and use their spellings daily. Library books are changed regularly. Please do support your child by discussing the homework tasks with them and if you are unsure, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. There is an expectation that all Year 6 children complete their homework on a weekly basis. It is also encouraged that children begin to do their own revision ahead of the SATs tests in May. At the bottom of the homework letter, there are useful sites and games to support this revision.

A quick reminder of our email addresses if you need to contact us or have any questions 😊 –

Trips

Pendarren – The year group will be visiting Pendarren House (Wales) on week commencing Monday 4th March.

We are also hoping to plan a trip to the local Church which links in with our current RE unit.

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