

# Year 6 Newsletter



## Term 1 (2022/2023)

### News

Welcome back; we hope you had a restful Summer break. We would like to say how impressed we have been with the children's start to our new academic year. Everyone has been so positive, engaged and enquiring during lessons, as well as mature and respectful on the playground.

If you do have any questions or concerns—however small—please don't hesitate to speak to a class teacher at the end of the day or, alternatively, arrange a meeting or phone call via the school office.

### Our PUPAC values

**Passion**



**Urgency**



**Positivity**



**Aspiration**



**Commitment**



### Reading

This term, we will continue to build our fluency in reading through controlled reading and will focus on particular sections of text to deepen our understanding. Our text for this term will be *Mortal Engines* by Phillip Reeve.



### Writing

This term, we will have a focus on grammar, learning to write grammatically accurate sentences using a wide variety of sentence types and punctuation. The children will learn to accurately identify word types and use these effectively. We will apply our grammar knowledge in short pieces of writing, using a variety of stimulus, including videos, pictures and our wider reading.

### Maths

This term in maths, we will be primarily focusing on arithmetic. We will start by reviewing number and place value, before moving onto addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

In year 6, all children are expected to know their times tables up to 12 X 12. As well as this, they should be able to use a range of written and mental methods to solve calculation problems with real life contexts.

Please encourage your child to practise times tables as often as possible; using Times Table Rock Stars is a great way to do this. All children have their own login.



## Science

This term, the children will be learning about living things and their habitats. This unit will draw on the children's knowledge of plants, including how plants reproduce. They will build upon their understanding of living things through the study of microorganisms, as well as plants and animals.



## Physical Education (PE)

P.E. will be held on Wednesdays and this term's focus will be on football.

Please ensure that the children come to school in their full PE kit, which should include their school top and jumper or cardigan on top (not a football shirt, sports hoodie or jumper).

The children will remain in their PE kit for the entire day.

## Spanish

The children will be studying a unit looking at life at school. This will build on the Spanish they have learnt so far in previous years.



## History

Our history unit will look at the causes and effects of World War Two, with a particular focus on the persecution of Jews and the conditions in Germany which led to Adolf Hitler's rise to power.



## Personal, Social, Health and Economic Education (PSHE)

PSHE this term will focus on physical and mental health. This will involve looking at diet, dental hygiene and the importance of sleep.



## Art

Our art lessons this term will focus on furthering the children's understanding of perspective. They will study Cézanne in this unit and begin to make direct comparisons to Monet and Impressionism.



## Religious Education (RE)

Our RE unit for this term will see the children considering the importance of repentance and forgiveness in Judaism.



## Homework

In order to best support your child in their learning at home, we are currently reviewing our guidance on homework; further information will follow shortly.

