

English

In guided reading, we will be looking at a range of fiction, non-fiction and poetry texts. We will follow the same structure each week which involves: fluency, structured tasks, scaffolded SATs style questions and then independent SATs style questions.

In our SPaG lessons, the children will be completing revision based on areas we need to develop from the mock SATs. Sentence structure and punctuation will be a key focus.

In English, we will be writing for a range of purposes. We will continue to use our learning journey text of Macbeth. The children will be continuing to write a narrative that includes dialogue to advance the action. We then have a variety of books that we can use as writing stimuli for the children including: The misadventures of Frederick and The BFG. We will use these books to write two different letters using different formality styles.

Parent Information

In Year 6 our PE days will be Monday and Tuesdays: children will need to come in wearing the correct PE kit. This includes a light blue T-shirt, dark blue jogging bottoms or shorts, a dark blue cardigan or jacket (no hoodies) and trainers.

Every week, spellings will be sent home on Thursday. These will need to be learnt for a spelling test the following week. Home learning will be provided both on paper and via the Spelling Shed website.

Children will need to log into Times Table Rockstars every week so that they consolidate their multiplication and division knowledge. We apply this knowledge to multiple aspects of the maths curriculum and children will not meet the Year 6 expected standard without this knowledge.

Ensure children are reading independently and to another adult at least five times a week and make sure that this is recorded in their home learning planner. Please remember to prioritise asking your children retrieval and word meaning questions linked to their books. Please also remember to read both fiction and non-fiction texts.

We will also continue to set children work via LbQ on a fortnightly basis. However, as explained at the parent meeting in Spring 2, there will also be a variety of revision topics that you and your child will be able to access for further revision at home.

Year 6 Summer 1

Can I carry out an independent fieldwork enquiry?

Geography

Our geography focus will be on the skill of orienteering. This is an essential skill for our final unit of the year: Can I carry out an independent fieldwork enquiry?

Using our own orienteering maps, we will use our school grounds to read compasses accurately and navigate around our school efficiently. Once we have mastered this skill, we will be able to begin planning our own independent fieldwork enquiry.

Science

In science, we will continue to look at electricity. The children will be completing more experiments exploring how current effects a circuit. These will be more independently lead.

Once we finish this topic, we will be moving onto our final science topic of sound. The children will be exploring the big question: 'How is sound produced?' This unit will explore the difference between amplitude and frequency through experiments, scientific drawings and explanations.

Maths

Throughout the term, we will be carrying out revision practise and preparation for SATs reasoning and arithmetic tests.

For our arithmetic sessions, we will focus on the skills needed across the domain of fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also continue to recap skills for the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

During reasoning sessions, we will focus on covering a wide variety of mathematical domains using the Polya approach. Polya allows the children to become more comfortable when tackling non-routine problem-solving questions. It teaches them the steps of understanding a problem; making a plan; carrying out the plan and looking back at their solution for accuracy and reasonableness. We will also continue to calculate using both abstract and pictorial representations.

PE

Year 6 will be preparing for sports day by exploring difference athletic skills: running, jumping and throwing. In our other session, we will be focusing on mindfulness through yoga during our calm club sessions with Mrs McDermott.

PSHE

During PSHE, we will be exploring different British values. This comes under the unit 'A world without judgement'. The children will understand the importance of British values and how they apply to our everyday life.

DT

In DT, we will be designing and building 3D sculptures of playgrounds. The children will have to think about the materials they are using, how it will be built together and the overall effectiveness of their design.

RE

For RE, we will be exploring the topic of 'Enlightenment' through Buddhism.