



Year 6 Spring Newsletter 2024

Happy New Year! We hope that you have had a fantastic Christmas break and are excited to start our new topics for the Spring term.

Now that we are starting term 3, the children will begin exploring more complex topics within mathematics (including algebra, ratio and decimals) where they will be required to apply their basic number knowledge. Please remember to continue practicing times tables at home as this will help your child to begin using quicker, more efficient methods for problem solving. We will also be exploring more complex texts within our English lessons, discovering how language can be used for effect. The children will focus on inferring (reading between the lines), retrieving evidence from the text to justify their answers.

Our topic work across term 3 will focus on energy sources, with the children exploring and comparing how energy is generated in two different countries before undertaking some fieldwork to determine where on our school grounds we could plan to generate energy. We will also link in our literacy learning, with the children planning and writing letters to the local authorities to persuade officials to make changes that will benefit our planet.

In term 4, our topic work will focus on the Victorians, exploring the impact of Victorian society on our locality and wider country. The children will investigate what life was like for Victorians, looking at changes over time and considering why change in the modern era is important.

Our RE learning throughout the spring terms will encourage the children to explore the Bible in greater depth, looking at the different books that make up the Good News Bible and exploring key scripture. We will then begin thinking about the Eucharist and its significance, always reflecting back on key teachings and how they impact our life choices. As we move closer to Easter, the children will explore the significance of Lent, linking our learning to Daisy the Dove to consider how we look after the poor.

Notices

The Year 6 children will be continuing with swimming throughout term 3, therefore please ensure you send in swimming bags each Thursday. We will also continue to have PE sessions with the specialist teacher on a Friday therefore please ensure that your child has a PE kit in school for these sessions.

Continuing to help your child at home:

Reading	Writing	Maths
Recommended reads from the Book Trust: https://www.booktrust.org.uk/boobooks/g/great-books-guide-2022-10-11/ Reading ideas for at home: https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/reading-age-10-11-year-6/	A range of English games and activities: http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html Writing ideas for at home: https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/english/primary-english-year-6-age-10-11/	Interactive games: http://www.mathplayground.com/games.html https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/math.htm Practice questions: https://uk.ixl.com/maths/year-6